



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/21/2018 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 12:15 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
08/21/2018	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing

Compliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good standing, support, and deficient.

Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.

Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Ratios/License Capacity

Age Ranges	Children Present	Child For Pay	CAPS	Not for Pay	Provider Children
Infant (0-11 mos)	0	0	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	0	2	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	0	0	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	0	2	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	0				

Children Present: 0

Total Children: 2

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1


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Comments

The Family Child Care Learning Home was granted Permission to Operate this date. No children 13 years of age were present on the date of the visit. Per Zoning, the capacity of the Family Child Care Learning Home is limited to a maximum of six (6) children at any time; regardless of pay status.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

Any rule violation which subjects a child to injury or life-threatening situation or any rule violations previously cited but not corrected, may result in the imposition of an adverse enforcement action. Serious or continued noncompliance may also jeopardize participation in one or more DECAL program(s).

	<p>Reminder: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before January 1, 2017. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.</p>
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O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(i)(2) requires Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning to notify licensed child care programs on accessing and retrieving from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) website a list of the names and addresses of all registered sexual offenders. Please see GBI's website located at <http://gbi.georgia.gov> to access the Georgia Sex Offender Registry.

Refutation Process:

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.

Bright from the Start recommends that all licensed child care providers carry liability insurance coverage sufficient to protect its clients. If you do not have this liability insurance, you are required to post a notice with ½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the program, notify the parent or guardian of each child in care in writing, obtain their signature to acknowledge receipt and maintain this written acknowledgment on file at the program at all times while the child attends the program and for 12 months after the child's last date of attendance. (O.C.G.A. Section 20-1A-4)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

Amber Davis, Program Official

Date

Neli Todorova, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

290-2-3-.12 Equipment and Supplies(CR)

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

290-2-3-.19 Infant-Sleeping Safety Requirements(CR)

Met

Comment

Currently the provider is not caring for infants. The provider was licensed to care for children two (2) through five (5) years of age.

Comment

Currently there were no children enrolled in the program. The provider stated that the children will have two (2) four hour sessions (8 am-12pm and 2pm- 6pm) with different set of children in each session and there will be no naps offered.

290-2-3-.07 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

On this date, the Provider stated that the program will not participate in Swimming activities. Consultant discussed Swimming requirements with the Provider, prior to the visit and on this date. Consultant also stated to the Provider that prior to participating in Swimming activities, in water two (2) feet in depth or greater, the Home is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review Swimming Rules.

Facility

290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Comment

The provider stated that there were no firearms at the home on this date.

Comment

An operable and appropriately sized fire extinguisher was observed in the home this date.

Comment

Operable smoke detectors on both floors were observed as required in the home this date.

290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)

Met

Comment

The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) requires that outdoor play areas be kept clean and free of hazards such as exposed sharp corners of concrete or equipment, rust and splinters on equipment, broken glass, open drainage ditches, holes and stagnant water. It was determined based on consultant's observation that there were exposed sharp edges of concrete at the bottom of the staircase coming from the patio to the playground. Additionally, it was determined that there was a hole in the ground in the left back corner with exposed sharp concrete edges. It was also determined that there were exposed tree roots that posed a potential tripping hazard. Additionally, it was determined that the gaps between the railing poles and underneath the railing on the patio had gaps that measured at approximately four inches.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The provider will install a four feet high chain link fence in front of the climbing equipment with a gate and the children will be coming from the patio to the enclosed area to play. The gaps between and under the railing will be covered with mesh material, and the exposed concrete at the bottom of the stairs will be covered with mulch or dirt.

Correction Deadline: 9/21/2018

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed with the provider to make sure that the protruding bolts that were accessible to the children on the swing and slide play structure are cut to the second thread or capped.

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2018

Comment

The home has a six feet tall structure with one bucket seat swing, one regular swing and one slide. Fall zones for the swing were measured at 12 feet in front and back and measured at six (6) inches of resilient surface. The fall zone for the slide measured at six feet in front of the slide at six inches of resilient surface. Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Finding

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) requires that outside play areas be protected from traffic or other hazards by fencing or other barriers at least four feet in height and approved by the Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children. A fence shall be provided around swimming pools to make them inaccessible when not in use. It was determined based on consultant's observation and measurements that there was a four inch gap on the gate located on the far back end of the playground fence. Additionally, it was determined that there were protruding bolts on the same gate that were accessible to the children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The provider will close the gap by tightening the fence and will cut down the bolts to the second thread or cap them.

Correction Deadline: 9/21/2018

Comment

There is no pool on the property

Food Service

290-2-3-.10 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Comment**

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk
5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk
2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://dec.al.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

Comment

The provider stated that the children will be only served snack and it will be provided by the parents. The children will be at the home for no more than four (4) hours at a time.

Health and Hygiene

290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

There were no children present on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the provider on this date.

290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Met****Comment**

The provider is serving children ages 2 (two) through 5 (five). The provider stated appropriate knowledge of diapering procedures. The provider will diaper in the bathroom and clean and disinfect the floor after each diapering.

290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

There were no children present. The provider stated that there will be no medication administered during the program hours. Consultant discussed with the provider emergency medication rules and policy.

Licensure

290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)**Met****Comment**

Application requirements reviewed with the Provider on this date. Per zoning the home cannot have more than six (6) children regardless of payment status at any point in time.

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Animals**Met****Comment**

The Family Child Care Learning Home does not keep animals on premises.

290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR) **Met**

Comment

There were no children enrolled on this date. Consultant observed the Home discipline policy and discussed regulations regarding proper discipline with the Provider, prior to the visit and on this date.

290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit **Met**

Comment

Please replace/add missing/expired item(s) in first aid kit(s).

290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR) **Met**

Comment

No children were present on this date. The Provider stated that the program will not provide Transportation and/or Field Trips. Prior to the visit and on this date, Consultant discussed all Transportation and Field Trip requirements with the Provider, regarding two (2) hour Transportation Training, CPR - First - Aid, proper Transportation/Field Trip documentation, vehicle and safety restraint requirements, regulations regarding walking field trips, checklists, name tags and parental permission forms.

Staff Records

290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR) **Met**

Comment

Criminal background check was complete for the provider on this date.

290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR **Met**

Comment

Evidence observed that the provider was certified in First Aid and CPR.

290-2-3-.07 Provider Qualifications **Met**

Comment

Consultant observed the Provider to have a Bachelor's Degree that met educational requirements. Consultant also discussed with the Provider that all newly hired Staff (Helpers), are required to complete Health and Safety Orientation and CPR - First - Aid Training within 90 days of hire and maintain/keep current as needed, and that the Provider and Helper are required to complete 10 - hours training annually.

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2018

290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR) **Met**

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR) **Met**

Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. Appropriate ratios were discussed with the provider prior to the visit and on this date.

Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. Supervision rules discussed prior to the visit and on this date.