



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 9/16/2020 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

**Arrival:** 11:30 AM

**Departure:** 11:50 AM

**FR-000004778**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
09/16/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/01/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/23/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

**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	0	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	0	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	0				

Children Present: 0

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Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1

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**Comments**

An Administrative Review was conducted on September 15, 2020. Staff files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on September 16, 2020 with the provider. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on June 16, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

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).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee

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](mailto: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).

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](mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov)

Stacey Cochran, Program Official

Date

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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a 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 there are no children enrolled in the program. Consultant observed the appropriate number of mats, sheets and covers.

**Comment**

The provider is licensed for children 13 months through four years of age. No Infants.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Home does not provide swimming activities.

**Comment**

There is no pool on the property

### Children's Records

#### 290-2-3-.08 Children's Records

**Met**

**Comment**

No children enrolled. Discussed documentation requirements.

## Facility

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

Met

#### Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

#### Comment

The provider reported no firearms at the home.

#### Comment

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

#### Comment

An operable smoke detector was 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)

Technical Assistance

#### Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) - Please ensure that the farm wire fencing material (wire with rectangular openings) used for a portion of the fence on the playground is replaced with approved fencing material. The following are approved fencing materials, if they are at least four feet tall:

- \* Chain Link (with closed, bent wire- no sharp points exposed along the top)
- \* Wooden (no gaps between boards, no splinters)
- \* PVC/plastic picket fence (if gaps between pickets, must be less than 3 ½ inches)
- \* Wrought Iron (if gaps between rails, must be less than 3 ½ inches)

**Correction Deadline: 9/16/2020**

#### 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://decalfga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

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

## Health and Hygiene

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the provider on this date. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed.

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

There were no children enrolled or present on the day of the visit. The provider stated appropriate diapering procedures.

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

No children enrolled or present on the day of the visit. Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

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<b>Licensure</b>
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**290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)****Met****Comment**

Application requirements reviewed with the Provider on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 16, 2020.

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<b>Safety and Discipline</b>
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**290-2-3-.11 Animals****Met****Comment**

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

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

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Appropriate discipline discussed.

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

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. The provider stated that no transportation will be provided.

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<b>Staff Records</b>
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**290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete for the provider.

**Comment**

Discussed with the provider that every actual and potential Employee(including residents age 17 and older) and Provisional Employee of the Family Child Care Learning Home need to obtain a Satisfactory Criminal Background Check clearance letter from the Department before residing at the home or being employed by the provider.

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<b>290-2-3-.07 First Aid &amp; CPR</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

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

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<b>290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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<b>290-2-3-.07 Staff Training</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Annual training requirement and documentation for 2019 observed.

<b>Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision</b>
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<b>290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Appropriate ratios discussed.

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<b>290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Appropriate supervision discussed.