



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 10/17/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

**Arrival:** 1:05 PM

**Departure:** 2:45 PM

**FR-000010220**

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<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
10/17/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
03/21/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
10/06/2016	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 the 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	1	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	3	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	3	0	0	0
<b>Total Under 13 Years</b>	2	9	0	0	0
<b>Total Under 18 Years</b>	2				

Children Present: 2

Total Children: 9


Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1

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**Comments**

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/17/2017

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).



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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.

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- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
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- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

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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.

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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)

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Linda Whitehead, Program Official

Date

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Sondra Paster, Consultant

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**

Observed-Variety Of Equipment

**Comment**

The consultant observed no unsecured hazardous equipment on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment

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

**N/A**

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

### Children's Records

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Records Complete/Well Organized

### Facility

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

**Comment**

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

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

**Correction Deadline: 3/21/2017**

**Corrected on 10/17/2017**

The provider was observed to have fencing damage from the storm. The provider is awaiting repairs to be completed from the insurance company. The provider stated that the outdoor play area is not being used until repairs can be made. The provider will notify the consultant once the repairs have been completed.

**Food Service**

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

**Comment**

Menu meets USDA guidelines as the consultant observed Spaghetti, green beans, peaches and milk being served for lunch on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 10/17/2017**

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**290-2-3-.10 Kitchen Operations** **Met**

**Comment**

Kitchen observed clean and well maintained on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 10/17/2017**

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Comment**

Observed-Proper Hand Washing

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

**Comment**

Observed-Proper Diapering

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

**Comment**

The provider stated that no medication is given at the home.

**Licensure**

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

**Comment**

Appropriate number of children

**Safety and Discipline**

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

**Comment**

No Animals Kept

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

**Comment**

Pleasant Interactions Observed

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**290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR)** **N/A**

**Comment**

No Routine Transportation Provided

**Staff Records**

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

**Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

**Comment**

No new hires

**Technical Assistance**

The provider was informed that a fingerprint background determination for any staff that had fingerprints completed before January 1, 2014 must obtain an updated fingerprint determination by October 1, 2018. The provider was further informed that all staff must have a comprehensive background check determination on file no later than October 1, 2017.

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

**Comment**

Staff qualifications/compliance with law

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**290-2-3-.07 Staff Training** **Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Documentation of Annual Training

**Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision**

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

**Comment**

Appropriate Ratios Observed

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**290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Adequate Supervision