

## Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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**Date:** 11/8/2018 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 2:05 PM Departure: 3:45 PM

FR-38349 **Regional Consultant** 

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Good Standing

**Mailing Address** 

Same

11/28/2017

**Quality Rated: No** 

			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			
11/08/2018	Licensing Study		standing, support, and deficient.			
04/05/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting			

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

Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting Support

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

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### Ratios/License Capacity

Monitoring Visit

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

Children Present: 1 Total Children: 5

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

### Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/08/2018

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.

- 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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any guestions 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/

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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)

**Not Met** 

### **Finding**

290-2-3-.12(7) requires all indoor and outdoor furniture and equipment shall be secured if equipment and furniture is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. Potentially unstable equipment and furniture that might injure a child if not secured include, but are not limited to, televisions, chests of drawers, bookcases, shelving, cabinets and fish tanks. Examples of items not required to be secured include, but are not limited to, child-sized tables and chairs, rocking chairs, and cribs. It was determined based on observation that a shelf in the play area was observed to not be secure and presented a tipping hazard.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will secure any identified equipment and/or furniture to prevent from tipping or falling over on a child. The Home Provider will ensure that all potentially dangerous equipment is maintained secure.

Correction Deadline: 11/8/2018

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

Met

### Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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

Met

### Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records** 

### **Records Reviewed: 5**

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Child # 4

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(2), Physician & Emergency Contact Information - (.08)(1), Dad Work # Missing - (.08)(1), Dad Home # Missing - (.08)(1), Mom Work # Missing - (.08)(1), Mom Home # Missing - (.08)(1), Parents Names Missing - (.08)(1), Date of Birth Missing - (.08)(1), Name Missing - (.08)(1)

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

Not Met

### **Finding**

290-2-3-.08(1) requires the Home to have a current and updated record for each Child in care and for a period of one (1) year after each Child leaves. Such records shall include: identifying information (Child's name, birth date, Parent's name, home and business addresses, telephone numbers); name, address and telephone number of persons, including Child's physician, to contact in emergencies; and name, address, telephone numbers, relationship to Child and to Parent(s) and other identifying information of person(s) to whom the Child may be released. It was determined based on a review of records that one child did not have evidence of enrollment packet which includes parents information, emergency contact, and physician information.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain the missing information and maintain the Children's records as required.

Correction Deadline: 11/8/2018

### **Finding**

290-2-3-.08(2) requires the Home to maintain a file for each Child that includes evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations; enrollment in the Home may not continue for more than 30 days without such evidence. It was determined based on a review of records that one child's immunization had expired on September 20, 2018.

### **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that an immunization record/signed affidavit is on file for each enrolled Child.

Correction Deadline: 12/7/2018

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/5/2018

### **Corrected on 11/8/2018**

.11(2)(f) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the plunger has been removed.

### Comment

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

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

**Not Met** 

## Finding

290-2-3-.13(1)(e) prohibits the use of multiple plugs and electric extension cords. Electrical outlets within reach of children shall be plugged or covered. It was determined based on observation that outlets were observed to be uncovered throughout the home.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will not use multiple plugs and electric extension cords and will check regularly to ensure electrical outlets are plugged or covered.

Correction Deadline: 11/8/2018

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

**Technical Assistance** 

### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - Discussed regarding taping the one area of siding on the playground area until it can be repaired.

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2018

## **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

## 290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)

Met

### Comment

The provider stated that no medication was dispensed since the last visit.

Licensure

## 290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)

Met

### Comment

Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this date.

## Safety and Discipline

### 290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

### 290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR)

Met

### Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

**Staff Records** 

## 290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Met

### Comment

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Provider stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

### Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

## 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

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

## 290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)

Met

### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.