

## 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: 11/16/2018 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 2:20 PM Departure: 5:00 PM

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Compliance Zone Designation				
11/16/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
02/09/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
07/28/2017	Monitoring Visit	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)	1	1	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	1	1	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	2	2	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	1	1	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	5	5	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	5				

Children Present: 5 Total Children: 5

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 3

## Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a Licensing Study, and to follow-up to the previous visit on February 9, 2018. Consultant reviewed and discussed visit report with the Provider on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/16/2018

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, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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 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: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

Laverne Singleton-Byrd, Program Official	Date	Octavia Humphrey, Consultant	Date
Iko Blackmon, 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

Consultant observed equipment and furniture to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

Met

### Comment

Consultant observed pleasant naptime environment.

## Comment

On this date, Consultant observed two (2) of two (2) cribs used for sleeping and resting, to meet Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards. Consultant also discussed all Infant Safe Sleeping and Resting requirements with Provider on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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

**Not Met** 

### Finding

290-2-3-.11(2)(c) requires that documentation of drills required by these rules shall be maintained in the Home. The Home shall conduct drills for fire, tornado, and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Home shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years. It was determined based on Consultant review of records that documentation of a current monthly fire drill, was not on file. The last documented drill was conducted on August 1, 2018.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Provider will develop and implement a plan and schedule for conducting the required drills, completing the documentation, keeping the documentation on file for two years.

Correction Deadline: 12/16/2018

#### Comment

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

#### Comment

Consultant observed operable smoke detector(s) as required in the home on 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)

Met

## Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Consultant observed proper hand washing throughout the Home.

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

Met

#### Comment

Provider stated appropriate diapering procedures .

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

Met

## Comment

Provider does not administer any medications at this time.

Licensure

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

Met

#### Comment

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

# 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

Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care.

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

### Comment

Complete first aid kit observed in the Family Child Care Learning Home

## 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 observed three of three Comprehensive Satisfactory Criminal records completed for Provider, one helper and one resident in the home

#### 290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

290-2-3-.07(5) requires the Home to maintain for the Provider and any Provisional Employee or Employee with direct care responsibilities current evidence of successful completion of a biennial training program in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in first aid which have been offered by certified or licensed health care professionals or trainers and which dealt with emergency care for infants and children. This training must be completed prior to initial licensure for the Provider and within 90 days from date of hire for Provisional Employees and Employees. It was determined based on Consultant review of records that valid evidence of completed CPR/ First Aid training was not on file regarding the Provider's Helper.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will obtain the required CPR and first aid training and will keep certificates, cards, or other proof of training on file. The Home will submit proof of training to the Department, if requested.

Correction Deadline: 12/16/2018

### 290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

# 290-2-3-.07 Staff Training

**Not Met** 

#### Finding

290-2-3-.07(15) requires that each adult responsible for the supervision of the children, if not the Provider, shall receive orientation regarding these rules; the Provider's policies regarding discipline, injuries and illnesses, and release of Children; the Provider's written plan for handling emergencies; and appropriate information about any Child's specific health needs. It was determined based on Consultant review of records that valid evidence of staff orientation was not on file regarding the Provider's Helper.

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

The Home will ensure that each adult responsible for the supervision of the children, shall receive orientation regarding these rules, the Provider's required policies, plans for handling emergencies and appropriate information about any Child's specific health needs.

Correction Deadline: 11/19/2018

## **Finding**

"290-2-3-.07(4) requires the Provider, Employees and Provisional Employees with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety training at the time of employment. Staff members must complete the training within the first 90 days of employment. The training must address the following health and safety topics: prevention and control of infectious diseases; prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleeping practices; administration of medication, consistent with standards for parental consent; prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions; building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards that can cause bodily injury such as electrical hazards, bodies of water, and vehicular traffic; prevention of shaken baby syndrome and abusive head trauma; emergency preparedness and response planning for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster, or threatening event such as violence at the facility; handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio contaminants; and precautions in transporting children (if applicable).

It was determined based on Consultant review of records that valid evidence of completed health and safety orientation training was not on file regarding the Provider and Helper.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

On this date Consultant assisted Provider to locate the online Health and Safety training. Provider stated the training will be completed as required. The Provider will complete the required training and will ensure any Employees complete the training. The Provider will develop a plan to ensure that any new Employees complete the training as required.

Correction Deadline: 11/30/2018

#### **Finding**

290-2-3-.07(6) requires the Home to maintain for the Provider and any Provisional Employee or Employee, current evidence of successful completion of ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is related to the care of children and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department approved source annually. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training programs shall be maintained in the Home by the Provider, as required by these rules. It was determined based on Consultant review of records that valid evidence of (10) annual clock hours of training was not on file regarding the Provider and the Helper.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will obtain the required annual training and will keep certificates, cards, or other proof of training on file. The Home will submit proof of training to the Department, if requested.

Correction Deadline: 12/16/2018

# **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

The Provider was observed directly supervising and being attentive to the needs of the children.