

# 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:** 11/20/2019 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 10:15 AM Departure: 11:30 AM

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**Quality Rated:** 



Compliance Zone Designation					
11/20/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
04/10/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
03/13/2019	Complaint Investigation & 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.

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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

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	4	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	2	0	1	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	2	6	0	1	0
Total Under 18 Years	2			-	

Children Present: 2 Total Children: 7

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 5 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 3

#### Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit as follow up to the visit conducted 4.10.19. Consultant discussed and reviewed report with Home Provider on this date. Consultant discussed the process to submit a change of location application to the Department.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/20/2019

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 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 he 7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov	lp you earn your star i	ating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-				
Pamela Robinson, Program Official	Date	Michelle Smith, Consultant	Date			



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# **Findings Report**

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

# **Activities and Equipment**

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

Met

Comment

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

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/10/2019

Corrected on 11/20/2019

.19(2) - Consultant observed no items in the cribs.

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

N/A

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility** 

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/10/2019

Corrected on 11/20/2019

.11(2)(f) - Consultant observed the no hazards accessible 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)

**Technical Assistance** 

Correction Deadline: 4/17/2019

## Corrected on 11/20/2019

.13(2)(a) - Consultant observed no rake, and no bed frame present on the playground.

#### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - Consultant discussed with Provider to ensure that leaves are removed from the playground walk way to prevent possible slips and falls. Consultant observed the ground to be heavily soiled from inclement weather that occurred.

Correction Deadline: 11/30/2019

# **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)

Not Met

#### Finding

290-2-3-.11(1)(h) requires toilet potty chairs shall after each use be emptied by disposal in a flush toilet, cleaned with a disinfectant, and stored in the bathroom. If a sink is used, it shall be disinfected after each use. It was determined based on observation that one potty chair was not flushed and cleaned with a disinfectant in the hallway restroom as required on this date.

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

The Home Provider will ensure that potty chairs are emptied by disposal in a flush toilet, cleaned with a disinfectant, and stored in the bathroom. If a sink is used, it shall be disinfected after each use.

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2019

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

Met

### Comment

Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed

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 Animals Met

## Comment

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

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

Met

#### Comment

The provider and/or the home's employee were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date

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

N/A

#### 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 five (5) of five (5) Program Staff to have a valid Satisfactory Comprehensive Criminal Records Check Determination letters issued by the Department on this date.

# 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

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