



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 12/4/2017    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 11:35 AM    **Departure:** 12:55 PM

**FR-37875**

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**Quality Rated:** No

| <b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> |                  |               |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| 12/04/2017                         | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing |
| 04/28/2017                         | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing |
| 10/17/2016                         | 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 rules.

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

**Ratios/License Capacity**

| <b>Age Ranges</b>           | <b>Children Present</b> | <b>Child For Pay</b> | <b>CAPS</b> | <b>Not for Pay</b> | <b>Provider Children</b> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Infant (0-11 mos)           | 2                       | 2                    | 0           | 1                  | 0                        |
| 1 & 2 Years                 | 3                       | 3                    | 0           | 3                  | 0                        |
| 3 & 4 Years                 | 0                       | 0                    | 0           | 0                  | 0                        |
| School Age(5+) Years        | 1                       | 2                    | 0           | 0                  | 0                        |
| <b>Total Under 13 Years</b> | 6                       | 7                    | 0           | 4                  | 0                        |
| <b>Total Under 18 Years</b> | 6                       |                      |             |                    |                          |

Children Present: 6

Total Children: 11


Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2

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**Comments**

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/04/2017

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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|  | <p><b>Reminder:</b> All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before <b>January 1, 2017</b>. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit <a href="http://www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a>. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.</p> |
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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@decals.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@decals.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://decals.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.

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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)



**Important New Deadlines:**

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.decals.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@decals.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@decals.ga.gov)

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Rochelle Ferguson, Program Official

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Sondra Paster, Consultant

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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**

The consultant observed no hazardous or unsecured equipment on this date.

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

**Comment**

No enrolled children in cribs

**Comment**

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment

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

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

### Facility

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

**Comment**

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

**Comment**

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

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

**Comment**

Outside Area Clean, Well Maintained

**Comment**

No Pool on Property

## Health and Hygiene

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

Met

**Comment**

Observed-Proper Hand Washing

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

Met

**Comment**

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

N/A

**Comment**

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

## Licensure

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

Met

**Comment**

Appropriate number of children

## Safety and Discipline

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

Met

**Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

**Comment**

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

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

N/A

**Comment**

No Routine Transportation Provided

## Staff Records

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

Met

**Comment**

Comprehensive Criminal Records Check complete for three of three staff on this date.

**Comment**

No new hires

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

Met

**Comment**

Staff qualifications/compliance with law

## Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Met

**Comment**

Appropriate Ratios Observed

**Comment**

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attention To Needs