



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 5/27/2020    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 12:15 PM    **Departure:** 1:15 PM

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
05/27/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/22/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
04/18/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

**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	3	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	1	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	2	2	0	0	0
<b>Total Under 13 Years</b>	7	7	0	0	0
<b>Total Under 18 Years</b>	7				
Children Present: 7		Total Children: 7			
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2		Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2			
<b>More than 6 for pay</b> 6 for pay present & no-pay present does not have a notarized no-pay statement					

**Comments**

An Administrative Review was conducted on May 28, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on June 18, 2020 with the Provider. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on June 11, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/27/2020

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](mailto: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: <http://decal.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.

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 help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@decal.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov)

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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**

Toys and equipment observed to be clean and safe from hazardous conditions. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to COVID-19 pandemic for toys and equipment were discussed and observed during a virtual visit walk through on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic. The consultant observed a pleasant nap time environment during virtual walk through. The provider discussed washing bedding twice a week and every day if the bedding has been soiled.

**Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic. The provider discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

There is no pool on the property

### Children's Records

**Records Reviewed: 7**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met

**Records Reviewed: 7**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
Child # 6	Met
Child # 7	Met

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**Facility**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

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

**Comment**

Operable smoke detector(s) were observed as required in the home this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic. The provider scanned each room in the home during the virtual walk through and the home appeared to be clean and free from hazards.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

The outside area appears clean and well maintained during the walk through of the virtual visit.

**Food Service**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic. The kitchen was not directly observed during the virtual visit walk through. The provider did scan the kitchen and the consultant observed safe storage of food items.

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing was not directly observed during the virtual visit walk through; however, the provider stated proper knowledge of hand washing procedures.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic. Diapering was not directly observed during the virtual visit walk through; however, the provider stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed

**Licensure**

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**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**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

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

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

**Met**

**Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID019 pandemic. Discipline was not director observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the provider on this date and pleasant interactions were observed between the provider and children in care.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

**Staff Records**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Evidence observed that the provider was certified in First Aid and CPR.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Annual training requirement and documentation observed.

**Comment**

Consultant observed Health and Safety Orientation Training for provider and helper on this date.

## Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Not Met

#### Finding

290-2-3-.07(15) requires the Home to ensure that the total number of Children not Related to the Provider in the Family Child Care Learning Home, for pay or not for pay, cannot exceed six Children, except that a Provider may care for two additional children who are three years of age or older for two designated one hour periods daily upon approval approved by the Department. It was determined based on review of attendance records in the whole month of April 2020, that there were eight children total in care. It was also determined that on May 1, 2020 to May 5, 2020 there was a total of seven children total in care.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will reduce the number of unrelated children, both for pay and not for pay, so that the total number of unrelated children in care does not exceed the number of children as specified in these rules.

**Correction Deadline: 6/6/2020**

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic on June 18, 2020 where the consultant observed 5 children to be present on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic. Supervision was not directly observed during the virtual visit walk through. The Provider was observed directly supervising and being attentive to the needs of the children.