



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/24/2018 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 2:10 PM

Departure: 4:20 PM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
01/24/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
07/28/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/01/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

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	6	6	0	2	0
3 & 4 Years	1	0	0	1	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	1	0	1	0
Total Under 13 Years	7	7	0	4	0
Total Under 18 Years	7				
Children Present: 7 Total Children: 11 Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2					

Comments

The purpose of this visit is to follow up on visit from July 28, 2017 and to conduct A monitoring Visit. Consultant discussed Quality Rated, update in existing emergency preparedness plan, updates in USDA guidelines and comprehensive background check.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/24/2018

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).



Reminder: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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@dec.al.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://dec.al.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). 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.dec.al.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@dec.al.ga.gov

Janice Powell, Program Official

Date

Neli Todorova, 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)

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 consultant's observation that a television with screen measuring 54 inches was placed on a low shelf accessible to the children and not secured to prevent it from tipping or falling over.

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: 1/24/2018

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS/ Safe Sleep.

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

N/A

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

Finding

290-2-3-.11(2)(f) requires that poisons, medicines, cleaning agents and other hazardous materials be in locked areas or inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation there were Insect Bite ointment and nasal drops by a pack and play and within the reach of the children. Additionally it was determined that two backs of AA and AAA batteries were stored at the bottom of an television stand that was placed on the floor. It was further determined that hair products were stored on a table on the left side of the entrance door and within the reach of the children. It was also observed that contact lenses solution was stored on the bathroom sink and within the reach of the children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the safe storage of hazardous items, the Home Provider will make these items inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 1/24/2018

Recited on 1/24/2018

Comment

No firearms reported in the home.

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2017

Corrected on 1/24/2018

.11(2)(h) - Previous citation corrected on this date as consultant observed working smoke detector and the fire extinguisher was not accessible to the children.

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

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2017

Corrected on 1/24/2018

.13(1)(e) - Previous citation corrected today as electric outlets were observed to be covered.

290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) requires that outdoor play areas be kept clean and free of hazards such as exposed sharp corners of concrete or equipment, rust and splinters on equipment, broken glass, open drainage ditches, holes and stagnant water. It was determined based on observation that on the left side of the play area there was a bamboo fence that was leaning and the bamboo material was brown and falling apart to the touch. It was additionally determined that there were dog feces on the playground area.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will repair any and all identified outdoor hazards and will monitor playground daily or more often as needed to ensure that the Home's outdoor play area is kept clean and free of hazards.

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2018

Recited on 1/24/2018

Finding

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) requires that outside play areas be protected from traffic or other hazards by fencing or other barriers at least four feet in height and approved by the Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children. A fence shall be provided around swimming pools to make them inaccessible when not in use. It was determined based on observation and consultants measurements, that the 11-inch gap at the bottom on the left side of the fence was covered with chicken wire that was free-standing (not attached to the wooden fence nor to the ground) and was creating a gap that measured approximately four inches thus creating a potential entrapment hazard for the children. Additionally it was determined based on observation that there was a gap that measured approximately 11 inches in height at the bottom of the fence for all its length. The provider had attempted to cover the gaps with chicken wire that was on the outside of the fence and was not enclosed at the bottom and could easily be lifted and the gaps exposed. It was additionally determined that one of the wooden planks of the wooden privacy fence was disconnected from the top and thus creating a gap in the fence that measured approximately four inches wide and positioned at approximately one foot from the ground. It was also determined that two sharp exposed nails were observed on the fence at approximate height 12 inches from the ground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The provider will use wooden planks at the bottom of the fence, repair the broken plank and the nails. A fence must be installed to prevent a child from becoming injured or from leaving the play area by any other means than through an approved access route. The fence must be secured at the top and meet the ground and be secured at its base. Securing the base would prevent the entrance of rodents and prevent entrapment hazards. Consider using an approved form of fencing material that can close the gap. (i.e. boards, bricks, or paver).

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2018

Recited on 1/24/2018

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**

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2017

Corrected on 1/24/2018

.11(1)(d) - Previous citation corrected on this date as provider reported no medication and no medication was observed.

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

Appropriate vaccination records were available on this date.

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

Comment

Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care.

290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR) **N/A**

Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Staff Records

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

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2017

Corrected on 1/24/2018

.21(1)(e) - previous citation corrected on this date as consultant observed criminal background check on file for provider, spouse and one staff/helper.

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

Comment

Discussed staff qualifications and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

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

Correction Deadline: 8/27/2017

Corrected on 1/24/2018

.07(6) - Previous citation corrected as consultant observed evidence of required annual training for 2017 on file.

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.