

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: 11/19/2019 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 2:05 PM Departure: 3:15 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation					
11/19/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
03/05/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
07/27/2018	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

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	5	3	0	3	0
3 & 4 Years	3	2	0	1	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	1	0
Total Under 13 Years	9	6	0	5	0
Total Under 18 Years	9		-	-	

Children Present: 9 Total Children: 11

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

Helper Needed

The purpose of this visit is to conduct a licesning study visit and to follow-up to previous visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/19/2019

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: 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

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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)

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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

Met

Met

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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

Met

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 9

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Child #1

Met

Child # 2

Met

Child #3

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Infant Feeding Plan - (.10)(4)

Child #4

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Date of Birth Missing -(.08)(1), Emergency Medical Authorization - (.08)(3)

Records Reviewed: 9 Child # 5 Child # 6 Child # 7 Child # 8 Child # 9 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2 Met Met Met Met

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

Not Met

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.08(1) - Consultant discussed the required children enrollment documentation with provider.

Correction Deadline: 11/19/2019

Finding

290-2-3-.08(13) requires documentation for the care of children, related and unrelated, for whom no pay is received to include a notarized statement from the Parent(s) attesting to the non-pay status. It was determined that one child enrolled not related did not have a notarized statement from parent.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain and maintain documentation.

Correction Deadline: 11/19/2019

Facility

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.11(2)(c) - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure that documentation of fire drills and tornado drills are updated.

Correction Deadline: 12/19/2019

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

Comment

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

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - Consultant discussed hazardous materials on the playground with provider.

Correction Deadline: 11/29/2019

Health and Hygiene

Met 290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR) 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 Comment Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed Licensure 290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR) **Technical Assistance Technical Assistance** 290-2-3-.04(1)(d) - Consultant discussed the required number of pay for children with the provider. Correction Deadline: 11/19/2019 **Safety and Discipline** 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 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 Criminal records checks were observed to be complete. 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)

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.07)(18) requires the Home to ensure that an Employee or Provisional Employee, who must be at least sixteen (16) years of age, must be present to assist with supervision whenever more than three (3) children under the age of twelve (12) months are present, more than six (6) children under the age of three (3) years are present or more than eight (8) children under the age of five (5) years are present. It was determined based on consultant observation that the provider had 7 children under 3 years of age with no helper present.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will ensure than an Employee or Provisional Employee is present to assist with supervision as required by the rules.

Correction Deadline: 11/19/2019

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.