



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Atlanta, GA 30334**

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Date: 3/2/2020 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 11:00 AM **Departure:** 12:35 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
03/02/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
07/31/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing
06/13/2019	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)	0	0	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	0	0	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	0	0	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	3	0	2	0
Total Under 13 Years	0	3	0	2	0
Total Under 18 Years	0				

Children Present: 0 Total Children: 5
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

Comments

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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@dec.state.ga.us.

- 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.state.ga.us/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.dec.state.ga.us/>
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.state.ga.us

Patricia Jones, Program Official

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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 on this date.

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

Not Evaluated

Comment

Per provider statement, provider is currently is not caring for infants on this date. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

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

N/A

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.08(2) requires the Home to maintain a file for each Child that includes evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations; enrollment in the Home may not continue for more than 30 days without such evidence. It was determined based on a review of records that five of five children's files reviewed did not have evidence of up to date immunization records on file.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that an immunization record or signed affidavit is on file for each enrolled child by Thursday March 5, 2020.

Correction Deadline: 3/5/2020

Recited on 3/2/2020

Facility

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

Correction Deadline: 7/31/2019

Corrected on 3/2/2020

.11(2)(f) - Citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

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

Comment

The Home appears clean and free from hazards on this date.

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

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure gate to the playground is closed at all times, even when children are not present.

Correction Deadline: 3/2/2020

Health and Hygiene

290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR) **Not Evaluated**

Comment

There were no children present on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the provider on this date.

290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) **Not Evaluated**

Comment

There are no diapered children currently enrolled in the program.

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

Comment

Per the provider no medication is dispensed.

Licensure

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

Comment

Application requirements reviewed with the Provider on this date.

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

There were no children present during the time of the inspection but consultant discussed with provider proper discipline and redirection 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****Correction Deadline: 7/31/2019****Corrected on 3/2/2020****.21(1)(a) - Citation was observed to be corrected on this date.****Correction Deadline: 7/31/2019****Corrected on 3/2/2020****.21(1)(c) - Citation was observed to be corrected on this date.**

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations on this date.

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)