



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/14/2018 VisitType: MV POI Follow Up Arrival: 11:05 AM Departure: 2:00 PM

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
08/14/2018	MV POI Follow Up	Deficient	
05/29/2018	POI Follow Up	Deficient	
05/01/2018	Monitoring Visit	Support	

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	5	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	4	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	1	2	0	2	0
Total Under 13 Years	6	12	0	2	0
Total Under 18 Years	6				
Children Present: 6 Total Children: 14 Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 0					

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).



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@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.

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

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a MV POI Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

290-2-3-.12 Equipment and Supplies(CR)

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018

Corrected on 8/14/2018

This citation was observed to be correct on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 6

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1

Met

Child # 2

Met

Child # 3

Met

Child # 4

Met

Records Reviewed: 6

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 5

Met

Child # 6

Met

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

Not Met

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 based on the provider's statement and review of children's files that two (2) children did not have a notarized statement attesting to their non-pay status.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain and maintain documentation.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2018

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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

Consultant discussed with the provider maintaining the grass in the play area.

Correction Deadline: 8/24/2018

Food Service

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018

Corrected on 8/14/2018

This citation was observed to be correct on this date.

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****Comment**

Per provider this FDCH does not dispense medication.

Licensure

290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.04(1)(d) requires a person that provides care for more than six children for pay, related or unrelated, as defined in the rules, to make application to the Department for a license to operate as a Child Care Learning Center. It was determined based on a review of sign-in sheets and a parent's statement, that the provider cared for seven children for pay on August 13, 2018.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Family Child Care Learning Home caring for more than six children shall reduce the number of children in care to six. The Family Child Care Learning Home will submit an application for a Child Care Learning Center and receive a license to operate from the Department before caring for more than six children, related or unrelated, for pay.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2018

Recited on 8/14/2018

290-2-3-.05 Inspections & Investigations**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.05(c) requires that the Provider not make or condone false or misleading statements to the Department in connection with any authorized investigation or inspection being conducted by the Department. It was determined based on the provider's statement, a review of sign-in sheets, and contact with a parent, that the provider made false and misleading statements regarding the number of enrolled children. The provider identified that she had only six children for pay enrolled after she was questioned three times during the visit. The consultant observed sign-in sheets which identified that there was an additional child for pay present during the month of August 2018. When questioned about the additional child, the provider stated that the child had not been present since 2017, but the parent confirmed that the child had been enrolled since January 1, 2018 and was cared for by the provider since enrollment and as recent as August 13, 2018.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Provider will not make or condone false or misleading statements to the Department.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2018

Recited on 8/14/2018

Safety and Discipline

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

Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care.

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

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Staff Records

290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018****Corrected on 8/14/2018****This citation was observed to be correct on this date.**

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(11) requires the Home to ensure that the total number of Children unrelated to the Provider in the Family Child Care Learning Home, for pay or not for pay, cannot exceed six children, except during two designated hours approved by the Department. It was determined based on a review of sign-in sheets and a parent's statement, that the provider cared for a total of seven children for pay on August 13, 2018, outside of the two designated hours approved by the Department .

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: 8/14/2018**Recited on 8/14/2018****Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018****Corrected on 8/14/2018****This citation was observed to be correct on this date.**

290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.07(13) requires at least one Adult to supervise Children at all times and requires plans to be made to obtain additional adult help in cases of emergencies. It was determined based on observation that the provider went into the kitchen and closed the door leaving six children unattended in the main day care area.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will ensure that either the Provider or at least one Adult supervises the children at all times. The Home will develop or update a plan to obtain additional adult help in case of an emergency.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2018**Recited on 8/14/2018**