



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 5/29/2018 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up

Arrival: 1:20 PM

Departure: 4:00 PM

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Quality Rated: ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>		
05/29/2018	POI Follow Up	Deficient
05/01/2018	Monitoring Visit	Support
10/19/2017	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)	2	2	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	4	5	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	2	2	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	2	2	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	10	11	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	10				
Children Present: 10 Total Children: 11 Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2 More than 6 for pay 6 for pay present & no-pay present does not have a notarized no-pay statement					

Comments

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 06/08/2018

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

Gwendolyn Miller, Program Official

Date

Cresia Jackson, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.19(1)(b)2 requires that cots and mats must be used by the same child daily and marked for individual use. It was determined based on observation that the provider did not provide the same child with the same mat daily for individual use.

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018

Recited on 5/29/2018

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2018

Corrected on 5/29/2018

This citation was observed to be correct on this date.

Finding

290-2-3-.19(2)(c) requires that infants shall only sleep in a safety approved crib or other equipment approved for infant sleep as described in 290-2-3-.19(1)(a) and shall not sleep in any other equipment, such as, but not limited to, a car safety seat, bouncy seat, highchair, or swing. Infants who arrive at the facility asleep or fall asleep in such equipment or on the floor shall be transferred to a safety approved crib or other equipment approved for infant sleep. It was determined based on consultant observation that a three-month-old infant was allowed to remain in a swing while asleep and was not moved to a safety approved crib.

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Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018

Recited on 5/29/2018

Food Service

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.10(5) requires that infant formula bottles be labeled with the individual child's name. Any unused formula or milk shall be discarded or returned to the Parent at the end of the day. It was determined based on provider statement that the unused formula is not discarded after the infant is fed, but rather refrigerated for later use.

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Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018

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Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2018

Corrected on 5/29/2018

This citation was observed to be correct on this date.

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 consultant observation that the provider was caring for ten children for pay on this date.

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Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018

Recited on 5/29/2018

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 a conversation with the provider that the provider gave false and misleading statements to the consultant during the follow up visit. Further the provider was hiding four children in another room of the family home to prevent consultant from knowing she was caring for over six children.

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Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018

Safety and Discipline

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

Correction Deadline: 6/4/2018

Corrected on 5/29/2018

This citation was observed to be correct on this date.

Staff Records

Finding

290-2-3-.21(1)(c) requires the Home maintain valid evidence of satisfactory criminal records check for the Provider and each Employee for the duration of their employment plus one year and to make such evidence immediately available to the Department upon request. It was determined based on observation that two persons over the age of 17 years old was residing in the home without a satisfactory criminal records check. It was further determined that the persons are the children of the provider.

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Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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 observation that the provider was caring for a total of ten children for pay outside of the two designated hours approved by the department, with no assistant present.

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Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018

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Finding

290-2-3-.07(15) requires the Home to ensure that an assistant, who must be at least sixteen (16) years of age, 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 was caring for two (2) infants under the age of twelve (12) months, and two (2) children that was one (1) year old, and two (2) children that was two (2) year old, and two (2) children that was three (3) year old, and one (1) child that was nine (9) years old, with no assistant.

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

Not Met

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Correction Deadline: 5/1/2018

Corrected on 5/29/2018

This citation was observed to be correct on this date.

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 left six children unattended, while she placed four children in another room in the home prior to allowing consultant access into the home.

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