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Date: 11/16/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 11:20 AM **Departure:** 2:20 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
11/16/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
04/10/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
12/20/2016	Monitoring Visit	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	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	0				

Children Present: 0 Total Children: 0
 Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2

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@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). 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.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

Joann Albritton, Program Official

Date

Patty Malone, Consultant

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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)

Met

Comment

Observed-Variety Of Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.19(2) requires that a Family Child Care Learning Home shall provide a safe sleep environment in accordance with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommendations as listed in these rules for all infants and one-year-old children when placed for sleep in a safety approved crib or in any other type of equipment approved for infant sleep. Staff shall place an infant to sleep on the infant's back unless the Parent has provided a physician's written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. When an infant can easily turn over from back to front and back again, Staff shall continue to put the infant to sleep initially on the infant's back, but allow the infant to roll over into his or her preferred positions and not re-position the infant. Sleepers, sleep sacks and wearable blankets that fit according to the commercial manufacturer's guidelines and will not slide up around the infant's face may be used when necessary for the comfort of the sleeping infant, however swaddling shall not be used unless the Home has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing its use for a particular infant that includes instructions and a time frame for swaddling the infant. Staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items and shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant such as but not limited to crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined based on observation that there was an infant sleeping with a burp cloth inside the infant crib.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that safe sleep requirements for infants are followed as required.

Correction Deadline: 11/16/2017

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

N/A

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The consultant discussed the sign in/ sign out sheets.

Facility

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.11(2)(c) requires that documentation of drills required by these rules shall be maintained in the Home. The Home shall conduct drills for fire, tornado, and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Home shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years. It was determined that the provider did not have written documentation of the required emergency drills for September and October of 2017.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Provider will develop and implement a plan and schedule for conducting the required drills, completing the documentation, keeping the documentation on file for two years.

Correction Deadline: 12/16/2017**Technical Assistance**

The consultant discussed ensuring that all potentially hazardous items are stored out of reach of children in care.

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

Met

Comment

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

Comment

Outside Area Clean, Well Maintained

Food Service

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

Met

Comment

The consultant observed that the lunch served met the USDA guidelines.

Correction Deadline: 11/16/2017**Health and Hygiene**

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

Comment

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) **Met**

Comment

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Comment

The provider stated that she is not currently administering medications.

Licensure

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

Comment

Appropriate number of children

Safety and Discipline

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

Correction Deadline: 4/10/2017

Corrected on 11/16/2017

.11(1)(n) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The provider had current rabies vaccinations for the home's pets.

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

Comment

Pleasant Interactions Observed

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

Comment

No Routine Transportation Provided

Staff Records

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

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2017

Corrected on 11/16/2017

.21(1)(a) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed satisfactory fingerprint determination letters for two adult household members.

290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR **Met**

Correction Deadline: 5/10/2017

Corrected on 11/16/2017

.07(5) This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The provider had documentation of current CPR/ first aid certification.

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

Comment

Staff qualifications/compliance with law

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

Comment

The consultant observed complete documentation of annual training for 2016 and 2017. Additionally, the consultant observed documentation of the required health and safety training.

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR) **Met**

Comment

Appropriate Ratios Observed

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

Comment

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attention To Needs