



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

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Findings Report

Date: 11/9/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 3:30 PM **Departure:** 5:45 PM

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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) Met

Comment

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment

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

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Facility

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

Correction Deadline: 4/23/2017

Corrected on 11/9/2017

.11(2)(h) - Consultant observed previous citation to be corrected in that the provider has replaced the old fire extinguisher and purchased a new approved model.

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

Comment

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) requires that outdoor play areas be kept clean and free of hazards such as exposed sharp corners of concrete or equipment, rust and splinters on equipment, broken glass, open drainage ditches, holes and stagnant water. It was determined based on consultant observation that potential hazards existed as follows:

-an accumulation of vines were observed growing through and above the back fence

-several metal poles were observed present on the outdoor play area

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the health and safety of children, the home provider will remove broken toys from the play area, remove the vines, and make any corrections noted.

Correction Deadline: 11/13/2017**Recited on 11/9/2017**

Food Service

290-2-3-.10 Food Service & Nutrition**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.10(4) requires that for the feeding of children under one year old the Home Provider must secure from Parents infant formula and a feeding plan. It was determined based on a review of records that three enrolled infants did not have updated feeding plans as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that infant formula and a feeding plan is secured for children under one year old.

Correction Deadline: 11/13/2017

290-2-3-.10 Kitchen Operations**Met****Correction Deadline: 4/13/2017****Corrected on 11/9/2017**

.10(10) - Consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the garbage can in the kitchen was observed to have a lid.

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)**Met****Comment**

Discussed-Documentation/Procedures

Licensure

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

Comment

290-2-3-.04(1)(d) - Provider cared for six unrelated children for pay and one related child for no pay on this date.

Correction Deadline: 11/9/2017

Safety and Discipline

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

Comment

Pleasant Interactions Observed

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

Comment

Observed-Complete Documentation

Staff Records

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

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2017

Corrected on 11/9/2017

.21(1)(e) - Consultant observed previous citation to be corrected in that the providers have obtained a fingerprint determination check as required.

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

Comment

Observed-Provider Certified First Aid & CPR

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

Comment

Staff qualifications/compliance with law

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-Adequate Supervision