

# Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334 Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Date: 8/9/2018	VisitType: Monitoring Visit	Arrival:	9:20 AM	Departure: 12:35 PM	
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#### Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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		
08/09/2018	Monitoring Visit	Support	standing, support, and deficient.		
03/22/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.		
08/29/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.		
			<b>Deficient</b> - 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 Childrer
Infant (0-11 mos)	0	0	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	1	1	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	1	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	1	1	0	0	1
Total Under 13 Years	3	3	0	0	1
Total Under 18 Years	3			-	
Children Present: 3	Total C	Children: 4			
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1	Total Caregivers/Helpers: 3				

<u>Comments</u> The provider stated that no new staff has been hired since the last visit.

The home does not participate in transportation, field trips or medications.

A formal plan of improvement is being left on this date.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 08/23/2018

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:** <u>All</u> employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit <u>www.decalkoala.com</u>. 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.

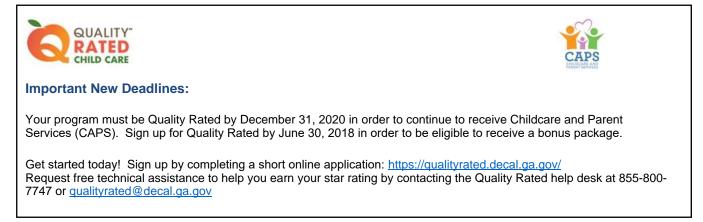
- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

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)



Queneka Davis, Program Official

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

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

#### Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

#### **Technical Assistance**

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290-2-3-.12(5) - requires all indoor and outdoor furniture, activity materials, and equipment shall be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint and kept clean. Please ensure that the blue sand table outside is free from sharp edges this is a potential pinching hazard. Also, please ensure that the plastic sink is replaced in the dramatic play kitchen in the main child care area.

#### Correction Deadline: 8/9/2018

Comment

Toys and equipment observed to be clean and safe from hazardous conditions.

#### Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

#### Comment

Currently the provider is not caring for infants. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

#### Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.19(4) - Please ensure that mats are stored without touching any other cots, mats or bedding, the bedding may be left on the cot or mat. When such storage is not available for the cots and mats, each child's bedding shall be kept separate from other children's bedding and stored in containers marked for individual use, such as, but not limited to, bins, cubbies, or bags. Also, please ensure that all mats are in good repair. On this date the consultant observed exposed foam on some of the mats.

#### Correction Deadline: 8/9/2018

**Technical Assistance** 

**Activities and Equipment** 

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

# **Children's Records**

Records Reviewed: 3	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1
Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3 <u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u> Immunization Form - (.08)(2)	Not Met

#### 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 consultant's observation that one of three children enrolled was observed to be without an immunization record on file.

Correction Deadline: 8/9/2018	 	

#### Recited on 8/9/2018

#### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.08(9) - Please ensure that the Parent or person(s) authorized by the Parent or guardian to drop off and pick up the Child document each time the Parent or authorized person drops off and picks up the Child. The documentation shall include at least the following information: the date , the Child's name, the arrival and departure times, and the signature or initials of the Parent or authorized person and shall be made available to the Department in printed or written form upon request. On this date the consultant observed two children arriving for care and the parent did not sign the children in.

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#### Correction Deadline: 8/9/2018

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

#### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.11(2)(a) - Please ensure that the home has an updated written plan for handling emergencies, including but not limited to fire, severe weather, loss of electrical power or water, and death, serious injury or loss of a child, a threatening event, or natural disaster which may occur at the Home. The Home will have in place procedures for evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, lock-down, communication and reunification with families, continuity of operations, accommodation of infants and toddlers, children with disabilities, and children with chronic medical conditions. No Home personnel shall impede in any way the delivery of emergency care or services to a child by licensed or certified emergency health care professionals.

#### Correction Deadline: 8/19/2018

#### Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

#### Comment

An operable and appropriately sized fire extinguisher was observed in the home this date.

#### Comment

Operable smoke detector(s) were observed as required in the home this date.

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

#### Comment

The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

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

#### Finding

290-2-3-.13(2)(b) requires that climbing and swinging equipment that are not portable be securely anchored to eliminate accidents or injuries. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the wooden play structure could be lifted off the ground on the right back post where monkey bars are attached.

Correction Deadline: 8/23/2018

# Recited on 8/9/2018

#### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(2)(c) - Please ensure that climbing and swinging equipment has an adequate fall zone from such equipment. On this date the consultant and provider discussed that the wooden play structure needs an adequate fall zone that is six feet forward and six feet back. The consultant discussed that it would be a good idea to move the trampoline to the far left side of the playground and add a four feet barrier around the trampoline.

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#### **Technical Assistance**

Not Met

Met

#### Correction Deadline: 8/19/2018

#### Finding

290-2-3-.13(2)(c) requires that climbing and swinging equipment that are not portable have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment, which is adequately maintained by the Home to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the wooden play structure was observed to be without any resilient surface on this date.


#### Correction Deadline: 8/23/2018

#### Recited on 8/9/2018

#### Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

# Health and Hygiene

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

Not Met

#### Finding

290-2-3-.11(1)(j) requires children's hands to be washed with liquid soap and warm running water: immediately upon arrival for the day and re-entering the child care area after outside play; before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, and playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, contact with bodily fluids such as, but not limited to, mucus, saliva, vomit or blood, and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that two children arrived for care and did not wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water.

Correction Deadline: 8/9/2018

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

# Comment

There are no diapered children currently enrolled in the program.

# 290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)

# Comment

Currently there are no medications dispensed. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

# 290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)

# Comment

Application requirements reviewed with the Provider on this date.

# Comment

Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this date.

# 290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)

# Comment

The provider and/or the home's employee were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

#### Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

290-2-3- 21	Criminal	Records	Check(CR)
290-2-321	Grinnar	Necolus	CHECK(CIV)

# Comment

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Provider stated that there have been no new hires since last visit.

#### Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

# 290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)

# Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

# 290-2-3-.07 Staff Training

# Correction Deadline: 4/21/2018

# Corrected on 8/9/2018

.07(4) - Previous citation observed corrected.

# Defer

290-2-3-.07(6)- Annual training will be reviewed at the next licensing study in 2019.

Met

# Licensure

Met

Met

# Met

# **Staff Records**

Safety and Discipline

Met

Met

Defer

# Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

#### Comment

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

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

#### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Met

Met