

# Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Date: 8/21/2019 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 2:45 PM Departure: 5:15 PM

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**Quality Rated: No** 

Compliance Zone Designation				
08/21/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
04/30/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
11/29/2018	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

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	2	2	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	6	6	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	8	8	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	8		-	-	

Children Present: 8 Total Children: 8

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

More than 6 for pay

6 for pay present & no-pay present does not have a notorized no-pay statement

#### Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a Licensing Study and to follow up from the previosu visit on April 30, 2019. The consultant left a Parents Have the Right Poster, LiveScan Instructions, No Compensation Form, and the Medication Action Plan resources on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/21/2019

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).



Please refer to the website, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- · All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee

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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

Colette Williams, Program Official	Date	Chrische Walker, Consultant	Date



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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

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

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

**Not Evaluated** 

Comment

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

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

N/A

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Comment

There is no pool on the property

**Children's Records** 

Records Reviewed: 8 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Child # 1 Met

Child # 2 Met

Child # 3 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Dad Work # Missing -(.08)(1), Mom Work # Missing -(.08)(1)

Child # 4 Met

Child # 5 Met

# Records Reviewed: 8 Child # 6 Child # 7 Met Child # 8 Met

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.08(1) - Please ensure the children enrollment forms are completed with the parent's work information.

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2019

#### Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

#### 290-2-3-.08 Parental Authorization(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

**Facility** 

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

Met

#### 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 was observed as required in the home this date.

#### 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)

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) requires that outside play areas be protected from traffic or other hazards by fencing or other barriers at least four feet in height and approved by the Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children. A fence shall be provided around swimming pools to make them inaccessible when not in use. It was determined based on observation that the right side of the fence area measured between three feet and nine inches to four feet and eleven inches. Four feet in height was required for fencing requirement.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will enclose the outside play area(s) with a four-foot high fence or other Department-approved barrier and inspect regularly to ensure fencing material is safe and any hazards identified are repaired or replaced. The consultant observed the left side of the fence to measure four feet in height. The Home will install or repair a fence around swimming pools that makes them inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 8/30/2019

Food Service

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

Met

#### Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

**DECAL** 

http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx

**USDA** 

http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the Home.

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

N/A

#### Comment

There are no diapered children currently enrolled in the program.

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures. The consultant left a Food Action Plan for the provider on this date.

#### Licensure

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

Met

#### Comment

Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this date. The consultant observed six unrelated children for compensation and two related children not for compensation on this date.

# Safety and Discipline

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

Met

#### Comment

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

#### 290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit

Met

#### Comment

Complete first aid kit observed in the Family Child Care Learning Home

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

N/A

#### Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

# **Staff Records**

#### 290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete for the provider, helpers, and residents.

#### 290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR

Met

#### Comment

Evidence observed that the provider was certified in First Aid and CPR.

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

#### 290-2-3-.07 Staff Training

Met

#### Comment

Annual training requirement and documentation observed for the 2018 calendar year.

# **Staff: Child Ratios and Supervision**

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

Met

#### Comment

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

The Provider was observed directly supervising and being attentive to the needs of the children.