

# 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:** 11/3/2017 Arrival: 9:50 AM Departure: 10:45 AM VisitType: Monitoring Visit

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
11/03/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
06/15/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
11/15/2016	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	1
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	1
Total Under 18 Years	0		-	-	-

Children Present: 0 Total Children: 1

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

The purpose of today's visit is a monitoring visit. This is the first visit of the fiscal year. The provider is not currently caring for children.

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: <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 <a href="www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a>. 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.

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### **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). 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: <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:gualityrated@decal.ga.gov">gualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

Martavia Goss, Program Official	Date	Beth Houtz, Consultant	Date



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# **Findings Report**

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# The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

	Activities and Equipment
290-2-312 Equipment and Supplies(CR)	Met
Comment Observed-Variety Of Equipment	
290-2-319 Infant-Sleeping Safety Requirements(CR)	Met
Comment No children enrolled	
290-2-307 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)	Met
Comment No Swimming Activities Provided	
	Facility
290-2-311 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
Comment Observation-No Hazards Accessible	
290-2-313 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)	Met
Comment Home Clean, Free of Hazards	
290-2-313 Playgrounds(CR)	Met
Comment Outside Area Clean, Well Maintained	
	Health and Hygiene

290-2-311 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)	Met
Comment	
Staff Stated Proper Knowledge	
290-2-311 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)	Met
Comment	
No Diapered Children Enrolled	
290-2-311 Medications(CR)	Met
Comment	
No children enrolled	Licensure
	Licensure
290-2-304 Application Requirements(CR)	Met
Comment	
Application requirements reviewed	
	Safety and Discipline
290-2-311 Discipline(CR)	Met
Comment No children enrolled	
290-2-311 Transportation(CR)	Met
Comment	
No Routine Transportation Provided	Ctoff December
	Staff Records
290-2-321 Criminal Records Check(CR)	Met
Comment	
Criminal Records Check complete	
290-2-307 Staff Qualifications(CR)	Met
Comment	
Staff qualifications/compliance with law	
290-2-307 Staff Training	Defer
Correction Deadline: 12/31/2016	
Corrected on 11/3/2017 .07(4) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date.	
Defer	
290-2-307(4)- This citation is deferred due to 2016 training previous reviewed at the next regulatory visit.	ly being reviewed. 2017 training will be
Correction Deadline: 6/29/2017	

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

290-2-307 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)	Met
Comment No children enrolled	
290-2-307 Supervision(CR)	Met
Comment	

No children enrolled