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Date: 4/23/2019 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 12:25 PM

Departure: 2:30 PM

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
04/23/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/29/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/07/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

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: 4 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 4					

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/23/2019

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, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.aspx>, 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@dec.state.ga.us.

- 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://www.dec.state.ga.us/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).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>
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.state.ga.us

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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-.09 Activities

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.09(5) requires that children less than three (3) years of age shall not spend more than one-half (1/2) hour of time consecutively in confining equipment, such as swings, highchairs, jumpseats, carriers or walkers. Children shall use such equipment only when they are awake. Such children shall be allowed time to play on the floor daily. It was determined, based on observation, that two enrolled infants present on this date were observed to be confined to infant carriers upon the consultant's arrival. The two infants remained confined in the infant carriers for approximately forty-five minutes before being moved to the floor for tummy time.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that children less three years of age do not spend more than 1/2 an hour in confining equipment and shall be allowed floor time daily.

Correction Deadline: 4/23/2019

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

Met

Comment

Discussed adding equipment and toys to enhance variety.

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.19(1)(a) requires that the Home shall provide either a safety approved crib or other equipment that is approved for infant sleep for each infant (any child under the age of twelve (12) months or any child who is under eighteen (18) months of age who is not walking), who cannot climb out of the crib or other approved equipment. Each crib shall be safety approved in compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards; any other equipment, such as, but not limited to, a portable crib, playpen, play yard or bassinet, shall be in compliance with current ASTM Standard Consumer Safety Specifications for Non-Full-Size Baby Cribs/Play Yards. It was determined, based on observation, that the Home did not have either a safety approved crib or other equipment approved for infant sleep for two infants enrolled and present on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will provide a safety approved crib or other equipment that is approved and in compliance with the CPSC and ASTM standards for infant sleep for each infant in care.

Correction Deadline: 4/24/2019

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

290-2-3-.08 Children's Records**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.08(1) requires the Home to have a current and updated record for each Child in care and for a period of one (1) year after each Child leaves. Such records shall include: identifying information (Child's name, birth date, Parent's name, home and business addresses, telephone numbers); name, address and telephone number of persons, including Child's physician, to contact in emergencies; and name, address, telephone numbers, relationship to Child and to Parent(s) and other identifying information of person(s) to whom the Child may be released. It was determined, based on review of records, that the Home was lacking records for seven enrolled children present on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain the missing information and maintain the Children's records as required.

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2019

Recited on 4/23/2019

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 review of records, that the Home was unable to provide current evidence of age-appropriate immunizations for review for five enrolled children present on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that an immunization record/signed affidavit is on file for each enrolled Child.

Correction Deadline: 5/3/2019

Recited on 4/23/2019

Finding

290-2-3-.08(9) requires 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. It was determined, based on review of records, that the Home did not have arrival or departure records available for review on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will develop, if needed, and implement sign-in and out procedures that include all required information, will inform Parents of the procedures and will monitor to ensure Children are signed in and out as required.

Correction Deadline: 4/23/2019

Facility

290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant - Safe Environment

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.13(1)(f) requires that fans be positioned or installed so as to be inaccessible to children. It was determined, based on observation, that a fan was observed on the floor accessible to children present on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that fans are inaccessible.

Correction Deadline: 4/23/2019

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

Met

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.13(1) requires that the Home be clean and free from hazards. It was determined, based on observation, that a cabinet door located near the dining area and the table the where children eat their meals and snacks, was observed to be off the hinges, which posed as a tipping hazard for the loose cabinet door and an entrapment hazard for children in the open space.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the cleanliness and safety of the environment, the Home Provider will make hazardous items inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2019

Recited on 4/23/2019

Finding

290-2-3-.13(1)(e) prohibits the use of multiple plugs and electric extension cords. Electrical outlets within reach of children shall be plugged or covered. It was determined, based on observation, that five electrical outlets within reach of children were observed to not be covered on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will not use multiple plugs and electric extension cords and will check regularly to ensure electrical outlets are plugged or covered.

Correction Deadline: 4/23/2019

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2018

Corrected on 4/23/2019

.13(2)(a) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the home had evidence of treating the ant beds present in the outdoor play area. The ant beds were observed to be inaccessible to children on this date.

Correction Deadline: 11/2/2018

Corrected on 4/23/2019

.13(2)(d) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the outside play area was observed to be fully enclosed by a fence measuring over four feet in height that was observed to be in good repair on this date.

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 review of records, that the provider was lacking infant feeding plans for two enrolled infants present on this date.

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: 4/23/2019

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Met

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

N/A

Comment

Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed

Licensure

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.04(1)(d) requires a person that provides care for more than six children for pay, related or unrelated, as defined in the rules, to make application to the Department for a license to operate as a Child Care Learning Center. It was determined, based on observation, that the provider was observed to provide care for eight unrelated children for pay on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Family Child Care Learning Home caring for more than six children shall reduce the number of children in care to six. The Family Child Care Learning Home will submit an application for a Child Care Learning Center and receive a license to operate from the Department before caring for more than six children, related or unrelated, for pay.

Correction Deadline: 4/23/2019

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Animals

N/A

Comment

The Family Child Care Learning Home does not keep animals on premises.

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

Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care.

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

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Staff Records

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

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)	Not Met
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Finding

290-2-3-.07(12) requires the Home to ensure that the total number of Children unrelated to the Provider in the Family Child Care Learning Home, for pay or not for pay, cannot exceed six children, except during two designated hours approved by the Department. It was determined, based on observation, that the Home had eight unrelated children for pay present on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will reduce the number of unrelated children, both for pay and not for pay, so that the total number of unrelated children in care does not exceed the number of children as specified in these rules.

Correction Deadline: 5/3/2019

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

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