



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 12/14/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 12:00 PM **Departure:** 2:30 PM

**FR-23502**

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**Quality Rated:**

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<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 standing, support, and deficient.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - 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.
12/14/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/10/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
05/03/2022	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

**Ratios/License Capacity**

Age Ranges	Children Present	Child For Pay	CAPS	Not for Pay	Provider Children
Infant (0-11 mos)	1	1	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	0	1	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	4	5	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	1	10	0	0	2
<b>Total Under 13 Years</b>	6	16	0	0	2
<b>Total Under 18 Years</b>	6				
Children Present: 6		Total Children: 19			
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3		Total Caregivers/Helpers: 3			

**Comments**

The purpose of this visit is to conduct a monitoring visit and to follow-up to previous.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/14/2022

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



### Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

**Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA [www.decalkoala.com](http://www.decalkoala.com) with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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)

Juaquita Williams, Program Official

Date

Princess Walton, Consultant

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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)**

**Technical Assistance**

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290-2-3-.12(6) - Consultant discussed with the provider that moving equipment and arranging the room should be done when children are not present to prevent hazards.

**Correction Deadline: 12/14/2022**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Home does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records**

**Records Reviewed: 19**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

Child # 6	Met
Child # 7	Met
Child # 8	Met
Child # 9	Met
Child # 10	Met
Child # 11	Met
Child # 12	Met
Child # 13	Met
Child # 14	Met
Child # 15	Met
Child # 16	Met
Child # 17	Met
Child # 18	Met
Child # 19	Met

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

290-2-3-.08(13) requires documentation for the care of children, related and unrelated, for whom no pay is received to include a notarized statement from the Parent(s) attesting to the non-pay status. It was determined based on review of files that the provider did not have the a notarize statement for two children in care..

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Home Provider will obtain and maintain documentation.

**Correction Deadline: 12/14/2022****Correction Deadline: 5/3/2022****Corrected on 12/14/2022**

**.08(9) - Previous citation was corrected. Consultant observed the provider to have sign-in and sign-out sheets.**

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**290-2-3-.08 Parental Authorization(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 5/17/2022****Corrected on 12/14/2022**

**.08(3) - Previous citation was corrected.**

**Correction Deadline: 5/17/2022**

Corrected on 12/14/2022  
.08(7) - Previous citation was corrected.

<b>Facility</b>
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**290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

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

**Comment**

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

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

**Comment**

The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

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**290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)** **Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - Please ensure that there are no tools accessible to children on the playground.

**Correction Deadline: 12/24/2022**

**Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) - Please ensure that the barrier around used for the playground is always enclosed and at least 4 feet.

**Correction Deadline: 12/14/2022**

<b>Health and Hygiene</b>
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**290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Staff state proper knowledge of hand washing and hygiene procedures.

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

**Comment**

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

**Comment**

Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed

<b>Licensure</b>
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**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 these rules, shall make application to the Department for a license to operate a Child Care Learning Center, except as provided in 290-2-3-.07(15). It was determined based on review of sign-in sheet and children files that the provider is caring for 11 children unrelated for pay during the hours of 8:00am to 7pm.

**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: 1/2/2023

## Safety and Discipline

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

Met

**Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Met

**Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Correction Deadline: 5/17/2022

Corrected on 12/14/2022

.11(2)(m) - Previous citation was corrected.

## Staff Records

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

Met

**Comment**

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

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

Not Met

**Finding**

290-2-3-.07(7) requires that the Provider, Employees and Provisional Employees with direct care responsibilities shall complete health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment. The state-approved training hours obtained will count toward required first year training hours. The training must address the following health and safety topics: prevention and control of infectious diseases (including immunizations); prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleeping practices; administration of medication, consistent with standards for parental consent; prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions; building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards that can cause bodily injury such as electrical hazards, bodies of water, and vehicular traffic; prevention of shaken baby syndrome, abusive head trauma and child maltreatment; emergency preparedness and response planning for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster or a human-caused event (such as violence at a child care facility); handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio contaminants; precautions in transporting children; recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect; and child development. It was determined based on review of staff files that a helper hired on June 2022 did not have the required health and safety training..

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Provider will complete the required training and will ensure any Employees or Provisional Employees complete the training. The Provider will develop a plan to ensure that any new Staff hired complete the training as required.

Correction Deadline: 1/13/2023

## Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.