

#### 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:** 7/17/2018 Arrival: 11:55 AM Departure: 2:00 PM VisitType: Monitoring Visit

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Quality Rated: 👚





Compliance Zone Designation				
07/17/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
03/20/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
10/19/2017	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 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	1	0
1 & 2 Years	3	4	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	3	5	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	3	0	0	3	0
Total Under 13 Years	9	9	0	4	0
Total Under 18 Years	9		-		

Children Present: 9 Total Children: 13

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2

#### Comments

One-day letter left on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/17/2018

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 <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:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

Buffie Dunn, Program Official	Date	Brandi Mangino, Consultant	Date



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#### **Findings Report**

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#### The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

# **Activities and Equipment**

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

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

**Technical Assistance** 

Consultant discussed monitoring mats for exposed foam.

Correction Deadline: 7/17/2018

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

Met

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

## **Children's Records**

# Records Reviewed: 9 Child # 1 Child # 2 Child # 3 Met Child # 4 Met Met

Records Reviewed: 9	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0	
Child # 5	Met	
Child # 6	Met	
Child # 7	Met	
Child # 8	Met	
Child # 9	Met	

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed having completed documentation for all enrolled children, and sibling groups that are enrolled.

Correction Deadline: 7/17/2018

Facility

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed that baby wipes need to be inaccessible to children in care in that they read "suffocation hazard".

#### 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** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed that the tree roots need to be covered so they do not pose a tripping hazard. In addition, the storage container needs to be locked due to hazardous items. The container had a lock on it and was not locked. No children were present on the playground.

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2018

#### **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 fencing on the outdoor play area was observed to be three feet seven inches in height on the left side and back right fencing areas.

#### 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 Home will install or repair a fence around swimming pools that makes them inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 7/31/2018

Recited on 7/17/2018

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant and provider discussed handwashing procedures on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

The provider stated appropriate diapering procedures.

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

Met

#### Comment

The provider stated that no medication has been dispensed since the last regulatory visit.

Licensure

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

Met

#### Comment

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

# 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

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Staff Records

#### 290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR)

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

290-2-3-.21(1)(a) requires the Home to ensure that the Provider, every actual and potential Employee and Provisional Employee has a Satisfactory Records Check Determination before the individual is present at the Home while any child is present at the Home. It was determined based on a review of records, that one of the providers daughter's was present in the home for the duration of the visit, and based on a statement from the provider her children will come to the home and visit, or during lunch breaks.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain the required satisfactory records check determination(s). The Home will ensure that the Provider, every actual and potential Employee and Provisional Employee has a Satisfactory Records Check Determination. The Provider, Employees, and Provisional Employees MUST have a Satisfactory Records Check Determination to reside in and be at the Home when a child is present for care.

Correction Deadline: 7/17/2018

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

# **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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.