

# 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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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation					
03/06/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
08/15/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
02/27/2018	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 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	6	6	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	2	1	0	1	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	1	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	8	8	0	1	0
Total Under 18 Years	8		_		

Children Present: 8 Total Children: 9

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2

More than 6 for pay

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

#### Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/06/2019

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>

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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 A variety of equipment and toys were observed. 290-2-3-.19 Infant-Sleeping Safety Requirements(CR) Met 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) Met Comment There is no pool on the property Facility 290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) Met Correction Deadline: 8/15/2018 Corrected on 3/6/2019 .11(2)(h) - Previous citation corrected. The Home was equipped with a working fire extinguisher. 290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR) Met Comment

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

Comment

Please ensure that all potential hazards are kept out of the reach of children.

Playground not observed on this date due to inclement weather.

Not Evaluated

**Health and Hygiene** 

# Met 290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR) Comment Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures. 290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) Met Comment There are no diapered children currently enrolled in the program. 290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR) Met Comment The Provider does not administer medication. 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 Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care. 290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit Met Comment Please replace/add missing/expired item(s) in first aid kit(s). 290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR) Met 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. 290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR) Met

Correction Deadline: 9/30/2018

# Corrected on 3/6/2019

.21(1)(e) - Previous citation corrected. The Provider stated that the staff person was no longer on the premises.

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

#### 290-2-3-.08 Staff Training

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

Previously Cited: 290-2-3-.08(6) requires that documentation of training include the following: 1) title of training, 2) date of training, 3) number of clock hours obtained and 4) name(s) of trainers/sponsoring organizations. It was determined based on review of that the Provider did not have documentation of training for 2016.

290-2-3-.08(14) requires that documentation of training be maintained in the Home and include the following: 1) title of training, 2) date of training, 3) number of clock hours obtained and 4) name(s) of trainers/sponsoring organizations. It was determined based on review of records that the Provider completed four of the ten required training hours for 2018.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

Previously Cited: The Home Provider will ensure that complete training information is on file.

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Correction Deadline: 12/31/2019

Recited on 3/6/2019

# **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.