



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/23/2018 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 11:05 AM

Departure: 12:40 PM

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Quality Rated: No

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
01/23/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/28/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/30/2017	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	1	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	3	3	0	1	0
School Age(5+) Years	1	4	0	0	1
Total Under 13 Years	4	8	0	1	0
Total Under 18 Years	4				
Children Present: 4 Total Children: 10 Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2					

Comments

The purpose of this visit is to follow up on visit from august 28, 2017 and to conduct a Licensing Study. Consultant discussed update in Emergency Preparedness Plan, new drills form to include lockdown drills, comprehensive background check and update in USDA guidelines.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/23/2018

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: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. 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.

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.al.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: <http://dec.al.ga.gov/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). 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: <https://qualityrated.dec.al.ga.gov/>
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.al.ga.gov

Tomesha Biggs, Program Official

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Neli Todorova, 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)

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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

Met

Comment

Care is not provided for any infant required to be in a crib

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

N/A

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 4

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

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

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

Defer

Correction Deadline: 8/28/2017

Corrected on 1/23/2018

.08(1) - Previous citation corrected on this date as consultant observed complete documentation.

Defer

290-2-3-.08(12)-Previous citation deferred on this date as the related child was not present in the home and per provider's statement has not been in the home for a while. The provider stated that she will obtain the required notarized statement before the child returns for care at the home. Compliance will be evaluated at the next visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain and maintain documentation.

Correction Deadline: 8/28/2017

Facility	
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290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 8/28/2017

Corrected on 1/23/2018

.11(2)(f) - Previous citation corrected on this date as consultant observed no hazards accessible to the children.

290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 8/28/2017

Corrected on 1/23/2018

.13(1) - Previous citation corrected on this date as no hazards were observed to be accessible to the children.

290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)	Technical Assistance
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Correction Deadline: 9/7/2017

Corrected on 1/23/2018

.13(2)(a) - Previous citation corrected on this date as consultant observed that the lawn mower was no longer accessible to the children and there were no other hazards present.

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - Discussed replacing and/or repairing the wooden border around the play area because of signs of rotting.

Correction Deadline: 2/2/2018

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

Comment

There are no diapered children currently enrolled in the program.

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

Provider stated no medication since last visit and on this date. Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

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 Animals**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.11(1)(n) requires pets in the Home be properly vaccinated in accordance with the requirements of the local county Boards of Health. Unconfined pets shall not be permitted in child care areas when any Child is present except for supervised learning experiences. It was determined based on review of records that the provider did not have evidence of current vaccinations for the dog. The provider stated that the animal is vaccinated but the records are not at the home. Consultant will remove the citation if appropriate records are faxed or e-mailed by 1/26/18.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will ensure that all animals are properly vaccinated and that unconfined animals are not allowed in child care areas.

Correction Deadline: 1/23/2018

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

The provider does not provide routine transportation. Provider inquired about possibly starting to offer field trips and consultant discussed requirements and documentation.

Staff Records

290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR)**Met****Comment**

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR**Met****Comment**

Evidence observed that the provider was certified in First Aid and CPR.

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

Discussed staff qualifications and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

290-2-3-.07 Staff Training**Met****Comment**

Health and Safety Training on file.

Comment

Annual training requirement and documentation observed for 2017.

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.