



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 10/2/2018 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 8:45 AM **Departure:** 11:20 AM

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
10/02/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing
01/26/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
07/20/2017	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)	1	1	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	4	4	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	1	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	6	6	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	6				

Children Present: 6	Total Children: 6
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1	Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

Comments

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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://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-.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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 6

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
Child # 6	Met

290-2-3-.08 Children's Records**Met****Comment**

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

290-2-3-.08 Parental Authorization(CR)**Met****Comment**

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Facility

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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)**Met****Comment**

The outside area appears clean and well maintained.

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures. Per provider no medication is being dispensed at this time.

Licensure

290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)**Met****Comment**

Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this date. 6 children unrelated for pay were observed during the visit.

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Animals **Met**

Comment

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

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

Complete first aid kit observed in the Family Child Care Learning Home

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) **Not Met**

Finding

290-2-3-.21(1)(c) requires every Employee to have a current and valid satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Home while any child is present for care or before residing in the Home if age 17 or older. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on observation that provider's mother-in-law was present in the home and did not have valid evidence of a satisfactory criminal records determination. Provider stated that her mother-in-law is visiting to help her with her 5 month-old baby while she (provider) runs her daycare.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will ensure that every Employee has a current and valid satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Home while any child is present for care or before residing in the Home if age 17 or older. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required.

Correction Deadline: 10/2/2018

Finding

290-2-3-.21(1)(g) requires the Family Child Care Learning Home maintain valid evidence of a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination for the Provider and each Employee (including Students-in-Training, volunteers, independent contractors and residents age 17 and older) for the duration of their employment plus one year and to make such paper or electronic evidence immediately available to the Department upon request. It was determined based on review of records that provider does not have a comprehensive records determination on file. Consultant emailed CRCHelp Desk to determine if out of state records returned. CRC Helpdesk responded that no out of state information has been received.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will maintain valid evidence of a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination for the Provider and each Employee (including Students-in-Training, volunteers, independent contractors and residents age 17 and older) for the duration of their employment plus one year and will make such paper or electronic evidence immediately available to the Department upon request

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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 Independent Contractors(CR) **Met**

Comment

The facility does not currently have any independent contractors employed.

290-2-3-.07 Other Staff Direct Contact with Children(CR) **Met**

Comment

The facility does not currently have any additional staff employed.

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 **Defer**

Defer

290-2-3-.07(4)- 2018 training year is still in progress. Training will be checked during the 2019 licensing study.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 2/5/2018

290-2-3-.07 Students-in-Training(CR) **Met**

Comment

The facility does not currently have any students-in-training employed.

290-2-3-.07 Volunteers(CR) **Met**

Comment

The facility does not currently have any volunteers employed.

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Comment

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date. 6 children unrelated for pay were observed during the visit.

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

Comment

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