

# 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: 10/17/2018 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 1:30 PM Departure: 2:30 PM

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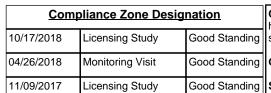
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**Quality Rated:** 



**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

 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	2	2	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	2	2	0	0	1
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	3
Total Under 13 Years	4	4	0	0	4
Total Under 18 Years	4		-		

Children Present: 4 Total Children: 8

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

## Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/17/2018

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).



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)

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

Comment

Currently the provider is not caring for infants. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

**Technical Assistance** 

290-2-3-.19(1)(b) - The Home Provider will provide a cot or mat for every child who is 2 years of age or older and every child who is under the age of 2 year who is able to climb out of a crib.

Correction Deadline: 10/27/2018

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

N/A

Met

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records** 

Records Reviewed: 4

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Child # 1 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(2)

Child # 2 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(2)

Records Reviewed: 4

Child # 3

Met

Child # 4

Met

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

**Not Met** 

## **Finding**

290-2-3-.08(2) requires the Home to maintain a file for each Child that includes evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations; enrollment in the Home may not continue for more than 30 days without such evidence. It was determined based upon consultant's observation, that two children enrolled did not have a current immunization as required.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that an immunization record/signed affidavit is on file for each enrolled Child.

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2018

	Facility
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290-2-311 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
Comment No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.	
290-2-313 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)	Met
Comment	
The Home appears clean and free from hazards.	
290-2-313 Playgrounds(CR)	Not Met

#### Findina

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 upon consultant's observation, that the fencing barrier on the playground was not in good repair. The fencing was leaning and not sturdy on all sides on this date.

## 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: 10/31/2018

	Health and Hygiene
290-2-311 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)	Met
Comment	
Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.	
290-2-311 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)	Met

## Comment

There are no diapered children currently enrolled in the program.

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

Met

#### Comment

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 Discipline(CR)

Met

### Comment

There children were napping during the time of the inspection. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

## 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-.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.