

### 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: 12/9/2019 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 8:35 AM Departure: 10:10 AM

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Compliance Zone Designation				
12/09/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
06/03/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
11/19/2018	Monitoring Visit	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

- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

Deficient - Pro

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	0	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	0	2	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	3	0	0	1
Total Under 13 Years	0	8	0	0	1
Total Under 18 Years	0		-	-	

Children Present: 0

Total Children: 9

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1

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### Comments

Follow up to the previous Licensing Study that was conducted on June 3, 2019 was completed on this date.

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, <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

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

**Not Evaluated** 

#### 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)

N/A

#### Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

# **Children's Records**

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

Correction Deadline: 6/3/2019

Corrected on 12/9/2019

.08(1) - The children are no longer enrolled in the program.

Correction Deadline: 6/3/2019

Corrected on 12/9/2019

.08(2) - Immunizations were observed current on this date.

### 290-2-3-.08 Parental Authorization(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Met

**Facility** 

### Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

### 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.

**Food Service** 

#### 290-2-3-.10 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

### Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx

USDA

http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks

# **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)

N/A

#### Comment

Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed

Licensure

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/3/2019

Corrected on 12/9/2019

.04(1)(d) - No children were present on this date. The provider currently has six children enrolled.

## Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Animals Met

Correction Deadline: 6/3/2019

Corrected on 12/9/2019

.11(1)(n) - Current vaccinations were observed on this date.

290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

The provider and/or the home's employee were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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)

N/A

Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

# **Staff Records**

290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

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

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2019

Corrected on 12/9/2019

.07(5) - Current CPR and First Aid was observed on this date.

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

Met

Met

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

290-2-3-.07 Staff Training Met

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2019

Corrected on 12/9/2019

.07(6) - The provider was unable to locate the certificates on the last visit. Training for the 2018 year was completed and observed on this date.

**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)

**Not Evaluated** 

### Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)