

# 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:** 5/1/2018 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 11:50 AM **Departure:** 1:05 PM

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Quality Rated:

Compliance Zone Designation				
05/01/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
11/28/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
05/19/2017	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 performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

 Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

**Brandon Cason** 

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

Deficient

Children Present: 8 Total Children: 8

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

# Comments

This was the second visit of the fiscal year. Criminal record checks observed to be completed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/01/2018

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: <u>All</u> employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit <a href="www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a>. 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 nformation 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)				
QUALITY" RATED CHILD CARE				
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: <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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Brandon Cason, Consultant

Salimah Jackson, Program Official

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### **Findings Report**

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# The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

# **Activities and Equipment**

290-2-3-.12 Equipment and Supplies(CR)

Comment
Disinfecting requirements discussed with the provider on this date.

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

Comment
Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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

N/A

#### Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

# **Children's Records**

Records Reviewed: 8	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1
Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
Child # 6	Not Met
"Missing/Incomplete Components"	

Records Reviewed: 8 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Mom Work # Missing -(.08)(1), Dad Work # Missing -(.08)(1)

Child # 7 Met

Child # 8 Met

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

Met

#### Comment

The consultant and provider discussed that this rule requires the Home to have a current and updated record for each Child in care and for a period of one (1) year after each Child leaves. Such records shall include: Parent's business addresses and telephone numbers); name, address and telephone number of persons, including Child's physician, to contact in emergencies; and name, address, telephone numbers, relationship to Child and to Parent (s) and other identifying information of person(s) to whom the Child may be released.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2018

Facility

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

**Not Met** 

Correction Deadline: 12/28/2017

#### Corrected on 5/1/2018

This citation observed to be corrected as of this date.

#### Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

#### Finding

290-2-3-.11(2)(h) requires at least one UL Approved smoke detector to be on each floor of the Home and such detectors to be maintained in working order. At least one 2-A:10-B:C fire extinguisher shall be kept in the child care area to be located no more than thirty feet from the kitchen. The extinguisher shall be maintained in working order and shall be inaccessible to the children. It was determined on this date based upon the consultants observation that the fire extinguisher that met this requirement was empty.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The home provider will either replace/service the fire extinguisher.

Correction Deadline: 5/11/2018

# 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)

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 the consultants observation that the front gate next to the children's climbers with the sides would not close creating a potential escape hazard.

#### 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: 5/1/2018

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

Met

Comment

The consultant observed the provider to remind the child to wash their hands.

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

N/A

Comment

The provider stated that as of this date that no medication was being dispensed.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2018

Licensure

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

Met

Comment

Registration requirements met on this date. The provider was caring for five children for pay.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2018

**Safety and Discipline** 

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.

**Staff Records** 

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

Met

Comment

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

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

Met

# Comment

The consultant and provider discussed that this rule prohibits the Provider, Employees and Provisional Employees from committing any criminal act, as defined under Georgia law, in the presence of any child enrolled in the Home and requires compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2018

# 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.