



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.

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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.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.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.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.ga.gov

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Findings Report

Date: 11/1/2017 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 12:00 PM

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Comment

Discussed adding materials to enhance variety.

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

Comment

No children enrolled. Safe sleep requirements were discussed on this date.

Comment

No children present

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

Comment

Discussed-Swimming Rules

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Facility

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

Comment

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible

290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR) **Met**

Comment

Discussed potential hazards upstairs and downstairs.

290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR) **Met**

Comment

Outside Area Clean, Well Maintained

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Met

Comment

No children enrolled

Comment

No children present

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

Met

Comment

No children enrolled

Licensure

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

Met

Comment

Application requirements reviewed

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Animals

Met

Comment

Animals Clean/Appropriately Caged

Comment

Appropriate Vaccination Records

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

Met

Comment

No children enrolled

Comment

No children present

290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit

Met

Comment

Observed Kit Complete

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

Met

Comment

No children present

Comment

No Routine Transportation Provided

Staff Records

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

Criminal Records Checks observed to be complete and current. Fingerprint requirements discussed for helpers and visitors during hours of operation.

290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.07(5) requires the Home to maintain for the Provider and any Provisional Employee or Employee with direct care responsibilities current evidence of successful completion of a biennial training program in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in first aid which have been offered by certified or licensed health care professionals or trainers and which dealt with emergency care for infants and children. This training must be completed prior to initial licensure for the Provider and within 90 days from date of hire for Provisional Employees and Employees. It was determined based on observation the Provider's CPR and First Aid certification was expired. The certification was recommended for renewal August 5, 2017.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will obtain the required CPR and first aid training and will keep certificates, cards, or other proof of training on file. The Home will submit proof of training to the Department, if requested.

Correction Deadline: 11/30/2017

290-2-3-.07 Provider Qualifications**Met****Comment**

The Provider has an approved variance for a comparable credential. The Provider must meet the conditions listed in the Variance Memorandum.

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2017

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

Staff qualifications/compliance with law

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

No children enrolled

Comment

No children present

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

No children enrolled

Comment

No children present