



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 11/19/2020 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:20 AM **Departure:** 10:45 AM

**FR-53510**

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**Quality Rated: No**

Compliance Zone Designation		
11/19/2020	Initial 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)	0	0	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	0	0	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	0	0	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Under 13 Years</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Under 18 Years</b>	0				
Children Present: 0		Total Children: 0			
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2		Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2			

**Comments**

Permission to Operate not issued. Once the barrier around the play area is four (4) feet high, the consultant will issue Permission to Operate from desk. An Administrative Review was conducted on November 12, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. An in person Initial Licensing Study was conducted on November 19, 2020. The exit conference was conducted virtually on November 19, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. with the Provider. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 18, 2020 was reviewed during the inspection and discussed during the exit conference. Provider does not carry Liability Insurance. Consultant discussed the Executive Order and the new Rules and Regulations on this date.

November 22, 2020, Permission to Operate issued from desk, consultant received verification of the barrier height around the playground and around the Air Conditioner Unit. Business License to be submitted by December 22, 2020. Consultant received photo of fence being corrected on November 22, 2020, Permission to Operated issued from desk on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/19/2020

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.al.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.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

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at <http://www.dec.al.ga.gov/> or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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.al.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.al.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.al.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).

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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.al.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov)

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### Findings Report

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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**

Toys and equipment observed to be clean and safe from hazardous conditions.

**Comment**

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position. One pack n' play present meeting American Standards Testing Materials (ASTM) standards as it states safe for sleep.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

There is no pool on the property. Consultant discussed if/when the provider takes the children to an off-site swimming pool, ratios and lifeguard requirements are to be met.

### Facility

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

**Met**

**Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

**Comment**

290-2-3-.11(2)(g) - Provider does not have fire arms in the home.

**Correction Deadline: 11/19/2020**

**Comment**

An operable and appropriately sized fire extinguisher was observed in the home this date.

**Comment**

Operable smoke detector(s) were observed as required in the home this date.

**Comment**

290-2-3-.11(2)(i) - Consultant observed no flammable liquids accessible to children on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 11/19/2020**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

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

**Not Met**

**Comment**

The outside area appears clean and well maintained.

**Finding**

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 on observation that the barrier around the play area measured three (3) feet when it required to measure four (4) feet high. Further consultant observed that the air conditioner unit was not enclosed by a four (4) foot high barrier.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Provider will section off an area in the back yard that measures 20 feet x 60 feet and four (4) foot high barrier to meet zoning requirements and Bright from the Start Requirements. Further the Provider will enclose the air conditioner unit by a four (4) foot high wood barrier.

**Correction Deadline: 11/23/2020**

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**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the provider on this date. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were also discussed and observed during the Initial Licensing Study on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director/Provider on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

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**Licensure**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Permission to Operate not issued on this date. Provider must provide a four (4) foot barrier, fully enclosed area of outside space for children. Once the barrier is installed, Permission to Operate will be issued.

## Safety and Discipline

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

Met

#### Comment

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Provider on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation. Consultant discussed transportation requirements if/when the Provider decides to incorporate transportation. The Provider will contact their regional consultant and have a complete first aid kit and required documents in the vehicle prior to transporting children.

## Staff Records

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete. Two (2) of two (2) records were observed to have comprehensive satisfactory Criminal Background Check determination letters on file for the provider and all residents living in the home seventeen (17) years and older.

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

Met

#### Comment

290-2-3-.07(27) - Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during the Initial Licensing Study visit on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 18, 2020. Per the City/Business License Department, a business license cannot be issued until Permission to Operate is granted. Permission to Operate was granted on November 22, 2020, the business license will be submitted to the Department by December 22, 2020..

**Correction Deadline: 11/19/2020**

## Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Met

#### Comment

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Consultant discussed staff/child ratios with the Provider on this date.

### 290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Consultant discussed direct supervision with the Provider on this date.