



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.

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**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.

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

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Cathy Carter, Program Official

Date

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Karyn Presley, Consultant

Date



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### Findings Report

**Date:** 11/7/2017    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 9:10 AM    **Departure:** 10:20 AM

**FR-9900106568**

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

### Activities and Equipment

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Variety Of Equipment

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

**Not Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment

**Finding**

290-2-3-.19(1)(b)1 requires that cots and mats shall be of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate comfortably the size and weight of the child. Mats must be in good repair, washable, covered with waterproof material and at least two inches (2") thick. It was determined based on consultants observation that mats were half an inch to a inch thick which does not meet the two inch requirement.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Home Provider will repair or replace cots and mats so they meet requirements.

**Correction Deadline: 11/17/2017**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

### Facility

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

**Comment**

The consultant observed complete fire and tornado drills, discussed updated emergency drills and updated emergency plans.

Observed a working smoke detector and fire extinguisher

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

**Comment**

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

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

**Comment**

Outside Area Clean, Well Maintained

**Comment**

No Pool on Property

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**Food Service**

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**290-2-3-.10 Food Service & Nutrition** **Met**

**Comment**

Discussed updated USDA guidelines

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2017**

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**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Comment**

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

**Comment**

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

**Comment**

No medications given at this time per providers statement

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**Licensure**

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

**Comment**

Appropriate number of children

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**Safety and Discipline**

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

**Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

**Comment**

No Routine Transportation Provided

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**Staff Records**

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

**Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

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

**Comment**

Staff qualifications/compliance with law

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**290-2-3-.07 Staff Training** **Met**

**Comment**

Health/Safety training was observed for the provider

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**Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision**

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

**Comment**

Appropriate Ratios Observed

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

**Comment**

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attention To Needs