



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 1/26/2022 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 10:45 AM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
01/26/2022	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
Total Under 13 Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	0				

Children Present: 0	Total Children: 0
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2	Total Caregivers/Helpers: 4

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on January 20, 2022 . Staff files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. An in person Initial Licensing Study was conducted on January 26, 2022. The exit conference was conducted virtually on January 27, 2022 with the Provider. Permission to Operate will be issued upon completion of the Exit Conference and signature pages are returned to the Consultant. Facility does not carry Liability Insurance. A sign was posted on the posted notice board.

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, <http://www.decal.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



Important New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.decal.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@decal.ga.gov

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.decal.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@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: <http://decal.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)

Barbara Clark, Program Official

Date

Angela Byrd, Consultant

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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.

Correction Deadline: 1/26/2022

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured on this date.

Correction Deadline: 1/26/2022

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

Met

Comment

Consultant observed the correct amount of cots/mats, sheets and covers on this date.

Correction Deadline: 1/26/2022

Comment

One (1) crib observed were present meeting safety compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards.

Correction Deadline: 2/5/2022

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

Met

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities. No pool observed on site.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

On this date, consultant observed the locked storage case for the firearm.

Correction Deadline: 1/26/2022

Comment

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

Technical Assistance

Please ensure to add a 2 A 10 B C fire extinguisher. On this date, consultant observed a fire extinguisher in the home but not the required size.

Comment

On this date, the provider stated there are no flammable liquids such as gasoline or kerosene stored inside the home.

Correction Deadline: 1/26/2022

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

Comment

The home appears clean and free from hazards on this date.

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

Technical Assistance

Please ensure the protruding screws on the fence are cut down to two (2) threads.

Correction Deadline: 2/5/2022

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

There were no children present on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the provider on this date.

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

Comment

There are no diapered children present on this date. Proper diapering discussed with the provider on this date.

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

Comment

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures on this date.

Licensure

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

Comment

Permission to Operate will be issued upon completion of the Exit Conference and signature pages are returned to the Consultant. The overall licensed capacity is six (6) children at any given time.

Safety and Discipline

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

Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. Consultant discussed appropriate discipline and guidance techniques with the provider.

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 complete the required two (2) hour transportation training prior to transporting children.

Staff Records

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

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**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. Consultant discussed ratios with the Provider on this date.

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

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. Consultant discussed direct supervision with the Provider on this date.