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Cover Sheet

Date: 7/21/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:45 AM **Departure:** 11:05 AM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
07/21/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing
01/25/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
11/16/2021	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 the 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)	2	2	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	2	2	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	2				

Children Present: 2	Total Children: 2
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3	Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

Comments

An in-person inspection was conducted on July 21, 2022 with the Provider. An Administrative Review was conducted on July 27, 2022. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/25/2022

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.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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 Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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)

Karen Johnson, Program Official

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

290-2-3-.09 Activities

Met

Comment

290-2-3-.09(3) - Consultant discussed with the provider to ensure that outside playtime is offered daily weather permitting.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2022

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

Met

Comment

Discussed with the provider to add toys and materials to enhance the learning environment.

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.19(2)(c) requires that staff shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant such as but not limited to crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined based on observation that two out of two Pack N' Play had a blanket on the side on the of the Pack N' Play and there were bibs and pacifier with attachments inside of the Pack N' Play.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider removed the items while the consultant was still there and ensure the Pack N' Plays are free of any items in sleeping equipment.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2022

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

Met

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Comment

There is no pool on the property

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 2

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1

Met

Child # 2

Met

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

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Comment

290-2-3-.08(2) - Please be aware that 2 of 2 children immunization records will expire August 2022. Please obtain updated immunizations records for student files.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2022

290-2-3-.08 Parental Authorization(CR)

Met

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Facility

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Home observed complete emergency drills

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.11(2)(f) - Consultant discussed with provider the removal of the following items :lotions, air freshners, and Poo-Pourri from bathroom and remove tree sticks, glass ornaments, and metal objects in living room area. These items and other hazardous materials need to be inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2022

Comment

290-2-3-.11(2)(g) - Per provider there are no firearms in the home.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2022

Comment

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

Comment

Operable smoke detector(s) were observed on this date, but we did not test due to children sleeping. Per provider's statement the smoke detectors were checked and batteries were replaced in July 2022.

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)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - Consultant discussed with provider outdoor play areas be kept clean and free of hazards such as exposed sharp corners of concrete or equipment, rust and splinters on equipment. Furthermore the consultant discussed and provided a poisonous plant guide due to their being a garden adjacent to the playground.

Correction Deadline: 8/4/2022**Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(2)(c) - Consultant discussed with provider the proper fall zones for the swings located on the playground. For swings, measure the length of the swing chain and add seven (7) feet. This is the use zone needed in front and behind swings (ex. chain length is 5'9"; add 7 feet; total fall zone needed in front and behind swings needs to be 12'9").

Correction Deadline: 8/4/2022**Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) - Consultant discussed with provider 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. The provider's fence measured between 41-43 inches when it needs to be 48 inches. In addition, the consultant discussed with the provider to create a 48 inch approved barrier on playground around garden and AC unit. The provider currently has infants enrolled in the program and they do not have access to the playground.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2022**Comment**

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Comment

There is no pool on the property

Food Service

290-2-3-.10 Kitchen Operations**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.10(13) - Consultant discussed with the provider that bottles shall be refrigerated at a temperature of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less.

Correction Deadline: 8/4/2022

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff state proper knowledge of hand washing and hygiene procedures.

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

The provider stated appropriate diapering procedures.

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

Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed

Licensure

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

Comment

Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this date.

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Animals **Met**

Comment

The Family Child Care Learning Home does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care.

290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit **Met**

Comment

Complete first aid kit observed in the Family Child Care Learning Home

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

Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Staff Records

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

Comment

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

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR **Met**

Comment

Evidence observed that the provider was certified in First Aid and CPR.

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

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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

Comment

Annual training requirement and documentation was observed for 2021 and 2022 on 7/27/2022.

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

The Provider was observed directly supervising and being attentive to the needs of the children.