

# Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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### **Cover Sheet**

Date: 6/14/2022 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 8:45 AM Departure: 9:30 AM

FR-35380

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Quality Rated:





Compliance Zone Designation				
06/14/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
10/26/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
04/26/2021	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.

 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)	2	3	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	0	1	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	3	4	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	5	8	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	5				

Support

Children Present: 5 Total Children: 8

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

# **Comments**

An in person Licensing Study was conducted on this day. The provider stated no medication is administered, no field trips or routine transportation is provided.

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 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 <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a> for more information. Free techincal 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)						
Joyce Franke, Program Official	Date	Connie Boatright, Consultant	Date			



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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(8) - The consultant observed a variety of age appropriate activities through out the provider's home.

Correction Deadline: 6/14/2022

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

Met

Comment

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

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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. There is a pond outside of the back fenced child play area. The consultant observed the exit gate to be closed and secured with a lock.

**Children's Records** 

Records Reviewed: 5 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1 Met

Child # 2 Met

Records Reviewed: 5	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
290-2-308 Children's Records	Met
Comment Records were observed to be complete and well organize	ed.
290-2-308 Parental Authorization(CR)	Met
Comment Parent authorizations obtained/completed.	
	Facility
290-2-311 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
Comment Home observed complete emergency drills	
<b>Comment</b> An operable and appropriately sized fire extinguisher was	observed in the home this date.
<b>Comment</b> Operable smoke detector(s) were observed as required in	n the home this date.
290-2-313 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)	Met
<b>Comment</b> The Home appears clean and free from hazards.	
290-2-313 Playgrounds(CR)	Met
<b>Comment</b> The outside area appears clean and well maintained.	
Comment Home does not provide swimming activities.	
Comment There is no pool on the property. There is a pond outside observed the exit gate leading to the pond to be closed as	

Food Service

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

Met

#### Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk 5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk 2 of 5 Components for snack Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers. The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website: DECAL http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx USDA http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks

# 290-2-3-.10 Kitchen Operations

Met

#### Comment

290-2-3-.10(14) - The kitchen was observed to be clean, neat and organized.

Correction Deadline: 6/14/2022

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

# Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the Home.

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of 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

Correction Deadline: 10/26/2021

# **Corrected on 6/14/2022**

.04(1)(d) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected.

# Comment

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

# **Safety and Discipline**

290-2-3-.11 Animals

### Comment

Appropriate vaccination records were available on this date.

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

Met

Met

#### Comment

Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care.

#### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

#### Comment

The provider and/or the home's employee were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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 observed.

**Staff: Child Ratios and Supervision** 

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/5/2021

#### **Corrected on 6/14/2022**

.07(15) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected.

# Comment

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 10/26/2021

#### **Corrected on 6/14/2022**

.07(18) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected.

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

Met

# Comment

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