

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

Arrival: 10:05 AM **Date:** 8/2/2022 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Departure: 10:55 AM

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Compliance Zone Designation				
08/02/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
01/20/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
08/19/2021	Monitoring Visit	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

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	1	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	4	4	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	2	3	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	6	8	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	6			-	

Deficient

Total Children: 8 Children Present: 6

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

Comments

On this date, consultant followed up to previous visit and conducted an on-site monitoring visit. An admin review was completed, and a signature was obtained on the administrative review letter.

Reminders: Refer to the published communicable disease chart for guidance regarding communicable diseases. In most scenarios, only outbreaks/clusters should be reported to the local health districts.

Please be sure to contact the Gwinnett County Department of Health, only if there are outbreaks/clusters of positive COVID-19 cases immediately, and get their guidance. Please be sure to also complete a Required Report in DECAL KOALA for all individual cases of communicable diseases within 24 hours. Be sure to select "Notifiable Communicable Diseases" to report closures for COVID cases.

Please be sure to enter all temporary closures in DECAL KOALA under the Required Report tab whenever your facility is closed temporarily for one day or more.

Incident Reports are to be submitted via DECAL KOALA with all signed staff statements for staff and the director.

All amendments are required to be electronically entered in DECAL KOALA effective August 2, 2021.

Provided updated staff orientation checklist

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/02/2022

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.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 a1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov 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 ma about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.	inager, who will follo	ow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questior	IS		
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)					
Antoinette Taylor, Program Official	Date	Dianne Clarke, Consultant	Date		



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Findings Report

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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

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

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

Met

Comment

Correct number of mats for naptime observed. Discussed regarding ensuring that mats with the foam exposed be repaired or replaced.

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

Met

Comment

There is no pool on the property

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 8	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
Child # 6	Met

Records Reviewed: 8 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 7 Met

Child # 8 Met

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

Correction Deadline: 1/20/2022

Corrected on 8/2/2022

.08(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the information was observed to be completed. Please ensure that all information in children's enrollment files are completed before they begin.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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)

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) requires that outdoor play areas be kept clean and free of hazards such as exposed sharp corners of concrete or equipment, rust and splinters on equipment, broken glass, open drainage ditches, holes and stagnant water. It was determined based on observation that the following equipment were observed to be hazardous:

- -A red and white Radio Flyer tricycle was observed to rusting on the handle.
- -A red and white Lightening McQueen tricycle was observed to have rusting on the handle and a crack on the pink plastic at the front wheel.
- -A pink and blue plastic tricycle was observed to have a crack in the seat.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will repair any and all identified outdoor hazards and will monitor playground daily or more often as needed to ensure that the Home's outdoor play area is kept clean and free of hazards.

Correction Deadline: 8/12/2022

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

There are no diapered children currently enrolled in the program.

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. There were six children present during the visit.

Safety and Discipline

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

- -Please ensure that applicants/staff are listing exact dates (including month/day/year) on 10 year work history form in order to determine any breaks in service from the child care industry.
- -Please ensure that records checks are redone if there is a six-month break in service.
- -Please also ensure that satisfactory records checks are updated before the expiration date.
- -Ensure that all therapists and other independent contractors have an updated records check on file, before being present at the center.
- -Please ensure that staff with a national background check is always present with a staff who has a comprehensive background check. Staff should never be by themselves.

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

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date. Discussed new revision to the supervision rule which states: Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger.