

### 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: 6/13/2022 VisitType: Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 5:15 PM

Departure: 6:15 PM

# FR-0001190001

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#### **Quality Rated: No**

| Compliance Zone Designation |                  |               | <b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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 |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 06/13/2022                  | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | standing, support, and deficient.  |  |  |  |  |
| 11/09/2021                  | Licensing Study  | Good Standing | Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.  |  |  |  |  |
| 06/15/2021                  | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.  |  |  |  |  |
|                             |                  |               | <b>Deficient</b> - 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                   | 0                           | 3             | 0    | 2           | 0                 |  |
| School Age(5+) Years          | 0                           | 0             | 0    | 0           | 0                 |  |
| Total Under 13 Years          | 0                           | 4             | 0    | 2           | 0                 |  |
| Total Under 18 Years          | 0                           |               |      |             |                   |  |
| Children Present: 0           | Total Children: 6           |               |      |             |                   |  |
| Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3 | Total Caregivers/Helpers: 3 |               |      |             |                   |  |

#### **Comments**

A Monitoring visit was conducted on this date.

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, <u>http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</u>, 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 <u>qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</u> 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)

Deborah Smith, Program Official

Date

Stephanie Clark, Consultant

Date

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| Findings Report  |  |  |                        |                              |          |
| Date: 6/13/2022 VisitTy  | <b>pe:</b> Monitoring Visit                        | Arrival:   | 5:15 PM                | Departure:                   | 6:15 PM  |
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| The following information i                                    | s associated with a Monit                          | oring Visit:   |                        |                              |          |
|  |  |  | Activitie              | es and Equ                   | iipment  |
|  |  |  |                        |                              |          |
| 290-2-312 Equipment and  | Supplies(CR)                                       |  |                        |                              | Met      |
| Comment<br>A variety of equipment and to                       | bys were observed.                                 |  |                        |                              |          |
| 290-2-319 Infant-Sleeping                                      | Safety Requirements(CR)                            |  |                        |                              | Met      |
| Comment<br>Discussed SIDS and infant s                         | leeping position.                                  |  |                        |                              |          |
| 290-2-307 Swimming Pool  | Is & Water-related Activitie                       | es(CR)   |                        |                              | Met      |
| <b>Comment</b><br>Home does not provide swim                   | ming activities.                                   |  |                        |                              |          |
|  |  |  |                        |                              | Facility |
|  |  |  |                        |                              |          |
| 290-2-311 Physical Plant -                                     | Safe Environment(CR)                               |  |                        |                              | Met      |
| <b>Comment</b><br>Please be mindful to keep ite                | ms that pose a hazard inac                         | cessible to child  | Iren.                  |                              |          |
| <b>Comment</b><br>An operable and appropriate                  | ly sized fire extinguisher wa                      | s observed in th   | ne home this d         | late.                        |          |
| <b>Comment</b><br>Operable smoke detector(s)                   | were observed as required                          | in the home this   | date.                  |                              |          |
| 290-2-313 Physical Plant-                                      | · · ·  |  |                        |                              | Met      |
| Comment  |  |  |                        |                              |          |

**Comment** The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

# 290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 591-1-1-.26 – Please ensure to monitor the playground areas for the following hazards: - Normal wear and tear of playground equipment and toys. Potential entrapment hazards in the fence surrounding the playground area. Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e. ants, bees, etc.). Loose and/or weak tree branches surrounding the playground area. Standing water in and around playground equipment after inclement weather. Fall zones and resilient surface.

#### Comment

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Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed

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

#### 290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)

#### Comment

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

|   | Safety and Discipline                      |
|---|--|
| 290-2-311 Discipline(CR)  | Met  |
| <b>Comment</b><br>There were no children present during the time of the inspection. | (This rule was not evaluated on this date) |
| 290-2-311 Transportation(CR)  | Met  |

#### Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

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

#### Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

# 290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR

#### Correction Deadline: 6/30/2021

# Corrected on 6/13/2022

.07(8) - An updated CPR/First Aid was observed to be up-to-date on this date.

### **Technical Assistance**

**Health and Hygiene** 

#### Met

Met

Met

# Licensure

Met

# **Staff Records**

Met

Met

#### 290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

# Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning

Revision #0 Revision Date: 7/6/2022 8:18:45 PM

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

#### Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

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

#### Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

Met

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