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Date: 3/22/2024 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:35 AM **Departure:** 12:35 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
03/22/2024	POI Follow Up	Support
03/19/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing
08/24/2023	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 rules.
Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

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

Children Present: 5
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 7
Total Children: 6
Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

Comments
The Purpose of the visit was to conduct a POI Follow-Up.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 04/08/2024

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

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)

QUALITY RATED CHILD CARE

CAPS CHILDCARE AND PARENT SERVICES

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!**

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Children's Records

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

Defer
290-2-3-.08(2)- Children's immunization records will be reviewed during the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2024

Recited on 1/1/0001

Facility

290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
290-2-3-.13(1) requires that the Home be clean and free from hazards. It was determined that based on observation that Vaseline, Hydrogen Peroxide, Multi-vitamins, air freshener, and joint flex pain relief cream were stored in an unlocked cabinet drawer beneath the sink, accessible to children. In was further determined that two bottles of air freshener were observed on top of the sink, with warning label to keep out of reach of children.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2024

Recited on 3/22/2024

Safety and Discipline

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

Defer
290-2-3-.11(1)(n)- Animal vaccinations will be reviewed during the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2024

Recited on 1/1/0001

Staff Records

290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
290-2-3-.21(1)(b) requires every Provider to have a current and valid satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Home while any child is present for care or before residing in the Home. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the license date; provided, however, if the Provider has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on review the Provider did not have a current and valid satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file while children were present in the home.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2024

Finding
290-2-3-.21(1)(m)3. requires that a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination be completed for the Provider and each Employee and Provisional Employee at least once every five years. It was determined based on a review of records the provider's Comprehensive Records Check Determination had expired on January 12, 2024 and the provider had not reprinted every five years as required.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2024

Recited on 3/22/2024

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Correction Deadline: 3/19/2024

Corrected on 3/22/2024
.07(17) - Previous citation corrected in that watchful oversight of the children was provided on the day of the visit

Comment
Adequate supervision observed on this date.