



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/15/2025 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study

Arrival: 12:05 PM **Departure:** 2:30 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
09/15/2025	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing	
			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	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	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	0				
Children Present: 0 Total Children: 0					
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 0 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 0					

Comments

The final license was issued on this date. The Provider lack required liability insurance and business license.

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

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at <http://www.decal.ga.gov/> or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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)

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@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!



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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.12(1) requires the Home to provide a variety of age-appropriate toys, books and play equipment and materials. It was determined based on observation the Home lacked a variety of age-appropriate toys, soft books and equipment in the area of music, art materials, soft blocks and science for the infants and toddlers.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will secure a variety of appropriate equipment in all of the above areas.

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2025

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

Finding

290-2-3-.12(8) requires that there be table space available for each child to sit at without assistance. There also must be an appropriately sized chair or bench available for each child. It was determined based on observation the Home lacked age appropriate table space and chairs for the age group of toddlers and preschool children the Provider will serve.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will procure enough table space and seating for all the children in care.

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2025

Finding

290-2-3-.12(9) requires that toys be stored on low, open shelves and easily accessible to children in each room or assigned area. It was determined based on observation the dramatic play, art materials for preschool students, manipulatives and science were stored in a plastic bin with drawers making the equipment inaccessible to the children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will rearrange the toys so that they are appropriately accessible to the children in care. The Provider has on order a storage bin to make the toys accessible.

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2025

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

Care is not provided for any infant required to be in a crib

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

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Facility**290-2-3-.08 Physical Plant - Safe Environment****Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.08(14) requires that documentation of approved liability insurance required by the Homeowner Association is maintained in the Home by the Provider. It was determined based on observation the Provider lack required liability insurance.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home provider will maintain documentation of approved liability insurance on file.

Correction Deadline: 10/9/2025

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

Comment

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

Comment

Operable smoke detector(s) were observed as required in the home this date.

290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(1) - Please ensure a covering is added to the light fixture in the restroom.

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2025**Comment**

The Home appeared 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 the following hazards:

- Two rose bushes with thorns over five feet in height.
- Concrete paving that can create a tripping hazard.

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. The rose bushes will be removed and or made inaccessible to the children in care.

Correction Deadline: 9/25/2025**Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) - Please ensure an additional pole is added to the middle and left side of the temporary barrier

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2025

Food Service

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>

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing was discussed with the Provider during the visit.

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.11(1)(f) requires diapers to be changed in the Child's own crib or on a non porous surface which is cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single use disposable towel after each diaper change. It was determined based on observation the room lacked a nonporous surface that can be cleaned with a disinfected and dried with a disposable towel after each diaper change.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the control of disease transmission, the Home Provider will change diapers in the child's crib or a non porous surface. The diapering surface will be cleaned and disinterred between use with a single use disposable towel.

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2025

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

Application requirements reviewed with the Provider on this date.

Safety and Discipline**290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)**

Met

Comment

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Discipline was discussed with the Provider on this date.

290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.11(1)(e) requires the Home and any vehicle used for transportation Children to have a first aid kit which at least contains: scissors, tweezers, gauze pads, thermometer, adhesive tape, band-aids, insect - sting preparation, antiseptic cleaning solution, antibacterial ointment, bandages, disposable rubber gloves, protective eye wear, face mask, and cold pack. The first aid kit, together with a first aid instruction manual which must be kept with the kit at all times, shall be stored in a central location so that it is not accessible to Children but is easily accessible to the Provider and Staff. The Home must also maintain written directions for the use of universal precautions for handling blood and bodily fluids. The directions on the use of universal precautions must be kept with the first aid kit at all times. It was determined based on observation the kit lacked the following items: antibacterial ointment, protective eye wear, copy of rules and regulation, cold pack and directions for the use of universal precautions for handling blood and bodily fluids.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will replace any missing items in the first aid kit, keep the instruction manual and written universal precautions with the kit and will check the kit regularly. The Home will store the kit where children will not have access to it.

Correction Deadline: 9/25/2025

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.

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

Evidence observed that the Provider was certified in pediatric First Aid and CPR on this date.

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**

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Ratios were discussed with the Provider during the reviewing of the checklist on September 9, 2025.

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

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Supervision was discussed on this date.