



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/7/2024 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 8:30 AM **Departure:** 10:15 AM

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Quality Rated: ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
08/07/2024	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/23/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/26/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

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	1	2	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	2
Total Under 13 Years	3	4	0	0	1
Total Under 18 Years	3				
Children Present: 3 Total Children: 6					
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 4 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1					

Comments

The purpose of this visit is to conduct a monitoring visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/07/2024

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)



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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(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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed on the home on this date.

Comment

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

Comment

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

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

Met

Comment

The provider was currently not caring for infants at this time. Provider stated an infant would be starting soon.
The appropriate crib and mattress was observed on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Provider does not provide swimming activities for the children at this time.

Comment

There was no pool on the property.

Facility

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Home observed complete emergency drills on this date. Consultant provided a copy of an updated form for fire drills that included fire drills, tornado drills and lockdown drills.

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.11(2)(f) - Please ensure bathroom cabinets are locked at all times.

Correction Deadline: 8/7/2024

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

Met

Comment

The Home appeared clean and free from hazards.

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - Please ensure trees that were previously cut down are removed from the playground area. Provider stated the trees were cut down due to recent storm and would be removed in the next few days.

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2024

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2023

Corrected on 8/7/2024

.13(2)(c) - Previous citation corrected in that provider was not utilizing the swings for the child care program. Grass turf was added underneath the play structure.

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

Consultant observed the proper hand washing throughout the Home on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/26/2023

Corrected on 8/7/2024

.11(1)(f) - Previous citation corrected in that provider used a diapering pad with a removable fabric covering and the provider also place a plastic liner over the fabric cover for every diaper change.

Comment

Provider stated the proper knowledge of diapering procedures on this date.

290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Provider stated no medication was 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. Consultant observed three children present in the Family Child Care Home.

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

Consultant observed age-appropriate discussion and redirection on this date.

290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR)**N/A****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 and updated that included all residents 17 years old and older on this date

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

Evidence observed that the provider was certified in First Aid and CPR and set to expire January 2025.

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.