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Date: 4/19/2024 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:30 AM **Departure:** 12:15 PM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

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. 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.
04/19/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/26/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
04/13/2023	Licensing Study	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	3	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	3	2	0	1	0
School Age(5+) Years	1	2	0	1	0
Total Under 13 Years	7	7	0	2	0
Total Under 18 Years	7				
Children Present: 7 Total Children: 9 Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2					

Comments

The purpose for today's visit was to conduct a Licensing Study. Technical Assistance was provided and all questions were answered during the exit conference.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/19/2024

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!

Rosa Darnell, Program Official

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2024

Corrected on 4/19/2024

Discussed laundering sheets daily as well as daily cleaning toys and equipment after use.

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

Met

Comment

Currently the provider is not caring for infants. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed with the provider to ensure that sheets or similar coverings for cots or mats shall either be marked for individual use or laundered daily.

Correction Deadline: 4/19/2024

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

Met

Comment

There is no pool on the property

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 9

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Child # 5

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(2)

290-2-3-.08 Children's Records**Met****Correction Deadline: 10/26/2023****Corrected on 4/19/2024****Children records were observed for all children present and in the program on this date.**

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Facility

290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.11(2)(c) requires that documentation of drills required by these rules shall be maintained in the Home. The Home shall conduct drills for fire, tornado, and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Home shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years. It was determined based on a review of records during a licensing study on April, 19, 2024, the provider failed to maintain documentation of conducted drills for fire, tornado, and other emergency situations as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Provider will develop and implement a plan and schedule for conducting the required drills, completing the documentation, keeping the documentation on file for two years.

Correction Deadline: 5/19/2024

290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 10/26/2023****Corrected on 4/19/2024****No hazards were observed this date. No evidence of food particles or debris were observed on this date.**

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 consultant observation that the play area was not kept clean and free of hazards. The following areas were not kept clean and free from hazards:

A group of toy ride-in cars that were not operable with evidence of stagnant water
dirt and dust on toys and equipment
toys not in good repair

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: 4/26/2024**Recited on 4/19/2024**

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Food Service

290-2-3-.10 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Correction Deadline: 10/27/2023**

Corrected on 4/19/2024

The provider was not caring for infants on this date. A menu was observed to be present and current on this date.

290-2-3-.10 Kitchen Operations

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/26/2023

Corrected on 4/19/2024

The kitchen area was observed to have designated space for food storage and kitchen items.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Discussed labeling of "diapering only" areas and staff work stations.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed labeling of "diapering only" areas and staff work stations.

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

Correction Deadline: 4/19/2024

Corrected on 4/19/2024

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

Safety and Discipline

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

Met

Comment

Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care.

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 Staff Qualifications(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

290-2-3-.07 Staff Training**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed with the provider to ensure that every calendar year, after the first year of employment the Provider, and any Provisional Employees or and Employees, shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training. Eight total hours were observed.

Correction Deadline: 5/19/2024

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Correction Deadline: 10/26/2023

Corrected on 4/19/2024

No additional supervision was necessary as there was not more than six children under the age of three.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.