



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/28/2025 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:35 AM **Departure:** 11:15 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.
07/28/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/29/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/15/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

Ratio Capacity					
Age Ranges	Children Present	Child For Pay	CAPS	Not for Pay	Provider Children
Infant (0-11 mos)	1	1	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	1	1	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	1	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	3	3	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	3				
Children Present: 3 Total Children: 3					
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1					

Comments

Visit completed

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date

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 LS:

Activities and Equipment

Records Reviewed: 2

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

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

Met

Comment

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

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)

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

N/A

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 2

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

Records Reviewed: 3

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Child # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(2), Physician & Emergency Contact Information - (.08)(1)

Child # 3

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(2), Release Person Information - (.08)(10), Physician & Emergency Contact Information - (.08)(1)

290-2-3-.08 Children's Records**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.08(1) requires the Home to have a current and updated record for each Child in care and for a period of one (1) year after each Child leaves. Such records shall include: identifying information (Child's name, birth date, Parent's name, home and business addresses, telephone numbers); name, address and telephone number of persons, including Child's physician, to contact in emergencies; and name, address, telephone numbers, relationship to Child and to Parent(s) and other identifying information of person(s) to whom the Child may be released. It was determined based on review of records that the Home did not have a completed record three of children enrolled child.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain the missing information and maintain the Children's records as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2025**Prior Visits: 12/10/2021, 01/15/2021****Recited on 7/28/2025****Finding**

290-2-3-.08(2) requires the Home to maintain a file for each Child that includes evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations; enrollment in the Home may not continue for more than 30 days without such evidence. It was determined based on review of records that the Home did not have evidence of current immunizations for three of three children enrolled.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that an immunization record/signed affidavit is on file for each enrolled Child.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2025**Prior Visits: 08/15/2023****Recited on 7/28/2025****Facility****Records Reviewed: 2****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

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

290-2-3-.11(2)(f) requires that poisons, medicines, cleaning agents and other hazardous materials be in locked areas or inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the first aid kit was stored in an unlocked cabinet under the sink in the bathroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the safe storage of hazardous items, the Home Provider will make these items inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2025**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 based on observation that peeling paint was accessible to children on the wall in the play area. It was further determined that a ceiling tile was dislodged which caused a large opening in the ceiling

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the cleanliness and safety of the environment, the Home Provider will make hazardous items inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2025

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2025

Prior Visits: 07/29/2024

Corrected on 7/28/2025

.13(1)(e) - The previous citation was corrected. The consultant observed that the outlets were equipped with child proof mechanisms.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) - Routine fence and barrier requirements were discussed.

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2025

Prior Visits: 06/08/2022

Health and Hygiene

Records Reviewed: 2

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

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

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of hand washing and hygiene procedures.

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

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

N/A

Comment

Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed

Licensure

Records Reviewed: 2

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

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

Met

Comment

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

Safety and Discipline

Staff # 2 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

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

Comment

Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care.

290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit Met

Comment

Please replace/add missing/expired item(s) in first aid kit(s).

290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR) Met

Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Staff Records

Staff # 2 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

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

Correction Deadline: 7/29/2024

Prior Visits: 07/29/2024

Corrected on 7/28/2025

.21(1)(m)3. - The previous citation was corrected. The consultant observed a new Comprehensive Records Determination on file.

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

Correction Deadline: 8/28/2024

Corrected on 7/28/2025

.07(8) - The previous citation was corrected. The consultant observed current training on file.

Comment

Discussed that effective July 1, 2025 new staff are required to obtain First Aid and CPR training, with a hands on component, within 45 days of employment. It was further discussed that programs must have at least one person with current First Aid and CPR training in each classroom at all times.

290-2-3-.07 Independent Contractors(CR) Met

Comment

: Discussed that effective July 1, 2025 all Employees, including volunteers, independent contractors

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 Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.07(9)(a) requires that every calendar year, after the first year of employment the Provider, Provisional Employees or and Employees, shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. It was determined based on review of records that the Provider did not have evidence of ongoing training for 2024.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will obtain the required annual training for Staff and will keep certificates, cards, or other proof of training on file or within the Georgia Professional Development System (GaPDS). The Home will submit proof of training to the Department, if requested.

Correction Deadline: 8/27/2025

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.07(9)(b)1 - : Discussed that effective July 1, 2025 each staff person is required to have two hours of language & literacy training annual. Additionally staff must obtain two hours of ongoing health & safety annually

Correction Deadline: 8/27/2025

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

Records Reviewed: 2

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

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.