



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 5/13/2025 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 11:30 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

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Quality Rated: No

<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.
05/13/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/22/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/27/2023	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	5	5	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	1	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	6	6	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	6				
Children Present: 6 Total Children: 6					
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1					

Comments

The provider does not dispense medication, provide swimming, or transportation.

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:

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 CAPS/ QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward an initial star rating. Provisional Status eligibility will be determined at the time of CAPS enrollment as part of the CAPS application process.

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 Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

Records Reviewed: 1

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

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

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 1

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

Records Reviewed: 6

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 6

Child # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Release Person Information - (.08)(10)

Child # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Release Person Information - (.08)(10)

Child # 3

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(2), Release Person Information - (.08)(10)

Child # 4

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Release Person Information - (.08)(10)

Child # 5

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Release Person Information - (.08)(10)

Child # 6

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Release Person Information - (.08)(10)

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 a review of records that child #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, and #6 did not have the addresses of person(s) to whom the child may be released.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 5/16/2025**Recited on 5/13/2025****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 a review of records that child #3 did not have evidence of current immunizations.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 5/13/2025**Finding**

290-2-3-.08(9) requires that the Parent or person(s) authorized by the Parent or guardian to drop off and pick up the Child document each time the Parent or authorized person drops off and picks up the Child. The documentation shall include at least the following information: the date, the Child's name, the arrival and departure times, and the signature or initials of the Parent or authorized person and shall be made available to the Department in printed or written form upon request. It was determined based on a review of records and providers statement that the provider does not document the arrival and departure times of the enrolled children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will develop, if needed, and implement sign-in and out procedures that include all required information, will inform Parents of the procedures and will monitor to ensure Children are signed in and out as required.

Correction Deadline: 5/13/2025

		Facility
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Records Reviewed: 1

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1

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 the following hazards were accessible in the bathroom that the children use: bubble bath, lotion, toothpaste, and a plunger.

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: 5/13/2025

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

Met

Comment

The Home appears 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 that the following hazards were accessible on the playground: three active ant beds in the back right side, a lawn mower, rake, and garden hoe.

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: 5/23/2025

Finding

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) requires that outside play areas be protected from traffic or other hazards by fencing or other barriers at least four feet in height and approved by the Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children. A fence shall be provided around swimming pools to make them inaccessible when not in use. It was determined based on observation that the fence on the back side of the playground measured forty-five inches and the fence on the right side of the playground measured forty-one inches when forty-eight inches was required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will enclose the outside play area(s) with a four-foot high fence or other Department-approved barrier and inspect regularly to ensure fencing material is safe and any hazards identified are repaired or replaced. The Home will install or repair a fence around swimming pools that makes them inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 5/13/2025

		Food Service
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Records Reviewed: 1**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

290-2-3-.10 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****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://dec.al.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx> USDA <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

Health and Hygiene**Records Reviewed: 1****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 2/22/2024****Corrected on 5/13/2025****.11(1)(i) - The provider stated proper hand washing procedures on this date.****290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

The provider stated appropriate diapering procedures.

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

Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed

Licensure**Records Reviewed: 1****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1

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. Consultant observed six children for pay on this date.

Safety and Discipline**Records Reviewed: 1****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1

Not Met

Records Reviewed: 1**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

290-2-3-.11 Animals**N/A****Comment**

The Family Child Care Learning Home does not keep animals on premises.

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

The provider and/or the home's employee were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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)**N/A****Comment**

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 1****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

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-.08 Staff Training**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.08(14) requires that documentation of training be maintained in the Home and include the following: 1) title of training, 2) date of training, 3) number of clock hours obtained and 4) name(s) of trainers/sponsoring organizations. It was determined based on a review of records that the provider did not complete annual training for 2024.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that complete training information is on file.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2025**Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision****Records Reviewed: 1****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Annual Training 10 Hours -.07(9)

290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 3/3/2024****Corrected on 5/13/2025****.07(15) - Consultant observed six children for pay on this date.**

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.