

## Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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#### **Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 2/8/2022 Arrival: 9:00 AM Departure: 9:30 AM VisitType: Licensing Study

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation					
02/08/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
09/17/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
02/23/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing			

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.

#### Ratios/License 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	1
Total Under 13 Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	0		_	-	

Children Present: 0 Total Children: 1

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

#### Comments

An in-person Licensing Study was conducted on February 8, 2022.

An administrative Review was completed on February 8, 2022. The visit report was completed and emailed to the provider on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/08/2022

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





## **Important New Deadlines:**

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: https://gualityrated.decal.ga.gov/ Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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)

Geraldine Grant, Program Official	Date	Jerica Davis, Consultant	Date



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## **Findings Report**

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## The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Eq	uipment
290-2-312 Equipment and Supplies(CR)	Met
Comment	
Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)	
290-2-319 Infant-Sleeping Safety Requirements(CR)	Met
Comment	
Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)	
290-2-307 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)	Met
Comment Home does not provide swimming activities.	
	Facility
290-2-311 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
Comment	Met
	Met
Comment	Met
Comment Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. (This rule was not evaluated on this date) 290-2-313 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR) Comment	
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## 290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)

Met

#### Comment

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the provider on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

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

Met

## Comment

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

## 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. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

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

Met

## Comment

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

## 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.

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

290-2-3-.07(8) requires the Home to maintain for the Provider and any Provisional Employee or Employee with direct care responsibilities current evidence of successful completion of a biennial training program in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in first aid which have been offered by certified or licensed health care professionals or trainers and which dealt with emergency care for infants and children. Such training must be completed prior to initial licensure for the Provider and within 90 days from date of hire for Provisional Employees and Employees. The Provider, a Provisional Employee or Employee with current CPR and first aid training must always be on the Home's premises and on any field trip whenever any Child is present. It was determined based on a review of records that the provider's CPR and First Aid card expired on February 1, 2022 and did not have a current CPR and First Aid training on file as required.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will obtain the required CPR and first aid training and will keep certificates, cards, or other proof of training on file. The Home will submit proof of training to the Department, if requested. The Home will ensure that there is always a Staff person on the Home's premises and on any field trip whenever any Child is present.

Correction Deadline: 3/10/2022

## 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) requires 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 which is task-focused in on-going health, safety and early childhood or child development related topics and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department- approved source. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training shall be maintained in the Home by the Provider, as required by these rules. It was determined based on the provider's statement that she did not complete ten annual training hours for the 2022 calendar year as required.

## 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. The Home will submit proof of training to the Department, if requested.

Correction Deadline: 1/1/2023

Recited on 2/8/2022

# Staff: Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Met

#### Comment

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

## 290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)