

## 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:** 6/3/2021 Arrival: 1:00 PM Departure: 2:10 PM VisitType: Monitoring Visit

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**Quality Rated** 



Compliance Zone Designation				
06/03/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
03/22/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
05/06/2020	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

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	2	2	0	0	1
3 & 4 Years	0	2	0	1	0
School Age(5+) Years	3	6	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	5	10	0	1	1
Total Under 18 Years	5				

Children Present: 5

Total Children: 12

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1

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## Comments

The purpose of today's virtual visit is to conduct a monitoring visit.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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)

Vickie McCutchen, Program Official	Date	Jackqueline Frederick, Consultant	Date



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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

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

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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

Met

Comment

There is no pool on the property

**Children's Records** 

**Records Reviewed: 5** 

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

Not Met

Child # 1

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Name Missing - (.08)(1), Date of Birth Missing -(.08)(1), Parents Names Missing -(.08)(1), Mom Home # Missing -(.08)(1), Mom Work # Missing -(.08)(1), Dad Home # Missing -(.08)(1), Dad Work # Missing -(.08) (1), Physician & Emergency Contact Information - (.08)(1), Immunization Form - (.08)(2), Emergency Medical Authorization - (.08)(3), Allergy/Medical Information - (.08)(4), Transportation Agreement - (.08)(7), Release

Person Information - (.08)(10), Proof of No Liability Insurance Form

Child # 2 Met

Child # 3 Met

Child # 4 Met

Child # 5 Met

#### 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 that one of five children did not have an enrollment form as required.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 6/3/2021

# **Facility** 290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) Met Comment No hazards observed accessible to children on this date. 290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR) Met The Home appears clean and free from hazards. 290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR) Met Comment There is no pool on the property **Health and Hygiene** 290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR) Met Comment Staff state proper knowledge of hand washing and hygiene procedures. 290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) Met Comment Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures. 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

## Comment

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

# **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.