



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 4/26/2022 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 10:55 AM Departure: 11:30 AM

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Quality Rated: [Three green stars]

Table with 3 columns: Date, Visit Type, and Compliance Zone Designation. Includes rows for 04/26/2022, 11/15/2021, and 04/14/2021. To the right is a legend for Good Standing, Support, and Deficient.

Ratios/License Capacity

Table with 6 columns: Age Ranges, Children Present, Child For Pay, CAPS, Not for Pay, Provider Children. Includes summary rows for Total Under 13 Years and Total Under 18 Years. Below the table are text boxes for Children Present, Total Children, Caregivers/Helpers Present, and Total Caregivers/Helpers.

Comments

On this date, the consultant followed up to previous visit and conducted an on-site Monitoring Visit. Consultant requested the provider submit required documents for the Administrative Review process.
An Administrative Review was conducted on May 09, 2022. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed.
The Consultant completed the exit conference virtually and a copy of monitoring visit report was electronically emailed to the Program on May 10, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/26/2022

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.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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 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@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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)

Amoi Whyte, Program Official

Date

Verlyn Gant, Consultant

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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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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) **N/A**

Comment

There is no pool on the property

Facility

290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) **Met**

Comment

An operable and appropriately sized fire extinguisher was observed in the home this date.

Comment

Operable smoke detector(s) were observed as required in the home this date.

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

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.13(1) - The Home appears clean and free from hazards. Ensure the safety gate ties are made safe.

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

Comment

The outside area appears clean and well maintained.

Health and Hygiene

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| 290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR) | Met |
| Comment Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands. | |
| 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 | |
| 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) | N/A |
| 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 | 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 documentation reviewed that the provider did not have documentation that she completed ten hours of training for 2018.

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: 12/12/2019

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.