

### 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**

Arrival: 10:25 AM **Date:** 8/23/2022 VisitType: Monitoring Visit **Departure:** 10:40 AM

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Good Standing

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Quality Rated: 🤺

08/10/2021

Compliance Zone Designation					
08/23/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
03/25/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing			

Monitoring Visit

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

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	4	4	0	0	0	
3 & 4 Years	1	1 0 0		0		
School Age(5+) Years	1	1	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

An in-person inspection was conducted on August 23, 2022 with the Director. Background checks were all reviewed on August 23, 2022.

An Administrative Review was conducted on August 25, 2022. Staff files, children's files, and training documentation were all reviewed. The director's signature was obtained on the administrative review letter.

The Consultant completed the exit conference via phone and a copy of the Monitoring Visit report was electronically emailed to the Program on September 08, 2022.

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, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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 <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a> for more information. Free techincal 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 <a href="www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a> 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

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)

Angel Bing, Program Official	Date	Verlyn Gant, 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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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

Met

Comment

Care is not provided for any infant required to be in a crib

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

N/A

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

## **Children's Records**

Records Reviewed: 6 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Child # 1 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Dad Home # Missing -(.08)(1), Mom Work # Missing -(.08)(1), Release Person Information - (.08)(10)

Child # 2 Met

Child # 3 Met

Child # 4 Met

#### Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1 Records Reviewed: 6 Child #5 Met

Met

### 290-2-3-.08 Children's Records

**Technical Assistance** 

Correction Deadline: 3/25/2022

#### **Corrected on 8/23/2022**

Child #6

.08(1) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit, in that based on a review of records the Home had a current and updated record for each Child in care and for a period of one (1) year after each Child leaves as required.

### **Technical Assistance**

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.

Please ensure the parent's home and work number is included for each Child in care.

Correction Deadline: 8/23/2022 Correction Deadline: 3/30/2022

#### **Corrected on 8/23/2022**

.08(9) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit, in that based on a review of records the Parent or person(s) authorized by the Parent or quardian to drop off and pick up the Child document each time the Parent or authorized person drops off and picks up the Child as required.

Facility

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

Technical Assistance

Correction Deadline: 4/4/2022

#### **Corrected on 8/23/2022**

.11(2)(a) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit, in that based on a review of records the Provider had a written plan for handling emergencies, including but not limited to fire, severe weather, loss of electrical power or water, and death, serious injury or loss of a child, a threatening event, or natural disaster which may occur at the Home. The Provider had in place procedures for evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, lock-down, communication and reunification with families, continuity of operations, accommodation of infants and toddlers, children with disabilities, and children with chronic medical conditions as required.

Correction Deadline: 4/24/2022

#### **Corrected on 8/23/2022**

.11(2)(c) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit, in that based on a review of records the provider conducted drills for fire on a monthly basis as required.

### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.11(2)(c) requires that documentation of drills required by these rules shall be maintained in the Home. The Home shall conduct drills for fire, tornado, and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Home shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years.

Please ensure that tornado and other emergency situation drills are conducted every six months as required.

Correction Deadline: 9/22/2022

### 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)

Met

#### Comment

The outside area appears clean and well maintained.

**Food Service** 

#### 290-2-3-.10 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/25/2022

#### **Corrected on 8/23/2022**

.10(6) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit, in that based on a review of records the Provider had a menu listing all meals and snacks to be served during the current week as required.

## **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

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

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 First Aid & CPR

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/24/2022

#### **Corrected on 8/23/2022**

.07(8) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit, in that based on a review of records the Provider had 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 as required.

### 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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/30/2022

#### **Corrected on 8/23/2022**

.07(7) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit, in that based on a review of records the Provider had completed health and safety orientation training as required.

## 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.