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Cover Sheet

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Quality Rated:



Compliance Zone Designation					
03/11/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
07/28/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
02/08/2021	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

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

Deficient

Total Children: 5 Children Present: 4

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 4 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 4

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on March 17, 2022. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/11/2022

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 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@decal.ga.gov 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 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)

Tokiko George, Program Official	Date	Beth Holland, Consultant	Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Discussed adding equipment and toys to enhance variety.

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)

Met

Comment

There is no pool on the property

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 3

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 3

Child # 1

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Transportation Agreement - (.08)(7), Immunization Form - (.08)(2)

Child # 2

Not Met

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Transportation Agreement - (.08)(7)

Child #3

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

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), 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

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 one of five children enrolled did not have the required enrollment paperwork.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 3/18/2022

290-2-3-.08 Parental Authorization(CR)

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.08(7) requires the Home to maintain Parental agreements for transportation and for field trips, swimming or other activities away from the Home in each Child's record. It was determined based on a review of records that five of five children's records lacked a signed transportation agreement.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will obtain written parental authorization, as required, before taking Children away from the Home. The Home will also review records; determine if all required information is completed; obtain any missing information; and have a plan to maintain complete records/forms for each Child as they enroll or as changes occur.

Correction Deadline: 3/15/2022

Facility

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 four bottles of hydrogen peroxide and four bottles of Isopropyl alcohol were accessible in an unlocked cabinet in the hall restroom. Furthermore it was observed that two glass bowls, three wine bottles and four bottles of alcohol were accessible on open shelving at child's level in the dining room.

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: 3/11/2022

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)

Met

Comment

The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

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

Met

Comment

Please ensure to monitor the playground areas for the following hazards:

- -Normal wear and tear of playground equipment and toys
- -Potential entrapment hazards in the fence surrounding the playground area.
- -Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e. ants, bees, etc.).
- -Loose and/or weak tree branches surrounding the playground area.
- -Standing water in and around playground equipment after inclement weather.

Health and Hygiene

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.11(1)(j) requires children's hands to be washed with liquid soap and warm running water: immediately upon arrival for the day and re-entering the child care area after outside play; before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, and playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, contact with bodily fluids such as, but not limited to, mucus, saliva, vomit or blood, and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based on observation that the children did not wash hands prior to eating breakfast.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure proper hygiene, all children will wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water as required.

Correction Deadline: 3/11/2022

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

Met

Comment

There are no diapered children currently enrolled in the program.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.11(2)(m) requires written authorization for the Child to receive emergency medical treatment when the Parent is not available, shall be maintained in the vehicle. It was determined based on a review of records that the required emergency medical treatment authorization was not available in the vehicle when transporting children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain copies of parental authorizations and maintain them in the vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 3/11/2022

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

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 a review of records that zero of four staff members received the required ten hours of training.

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: 12/31/2022

Recited on 3/11/2022

Staff: Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date. Provider was observed to care for three children for pay on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.