

## 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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**Date:** 3/2/2023 Arrival: 11:00 AM Departure: 2:30 PM VisitType: Initial Licensing Study

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**Quality Rated: No** 

			Compliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitori history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are
03/02/2023	Initial Licensing Study		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

Yolanda Harris

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	0
Total Under 13 Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	0		•	•	-

Total Children: 0 Children Present: 0

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

An in person initial licensing visit was completed on March 2, 2023. Staff files, children files, training, and background check were all reviewed. The exit conference was completed on this date. Permission to operate was granted to the provider. The facility does not carry Liability Insurance.

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).

Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning



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

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is <u>valid for thirty(30) days</u>. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at http://www.decal.ga.gov/ or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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)





#### 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!

Vilma Lamboy, Program Official	Date	Yolanda Harris, Consultant	Date
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## (Findings Report)

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

## **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 on this date.

#### Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

Currently the provider is not caring for infants and no cribs were evaluated on this date. Consultant observed the correct amount of cots/mats, sheets and covers on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities. No pool observed on site.

**Facility** 

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

Met

#### Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

## Comment

Provider does not have fire arms in the home.

Correction Deadline: 3/2/2023

#### 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 on this date.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

The outside area appears clean and well maintained on this date.

#### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed with the provider on this date to add a 4ft fence around the air conditioning unit so that the unit will be inaccessible to the children. The consultant also advised the provider to add reinforcements to the fencing area so that the gaps aren't entrapment hazards to the children.

Correction Deadline: 3/2/2023

## **Health and Hygiene**

## 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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures. Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Provider on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures on this date.

Licensure

#### 290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Application requirements reviewed with the Provider on this date. Permission to Operate will be issued upon completion of the Exit Conference and signature pages are signed and dated.

#### Comment

Consultant discussed Business License requirement with the Provider. The provider has until April 3, 2023, to submit the Business License to the Consultant.

Correction Deadline: 3/2/2023

**Safety and Discipline** 

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

Met

#### Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. Consultant discussed appropriate discipline and guidance techniques with the provider.

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

Met

#### Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation. Consultant discussed transportation requirements if/when the provider decides to incorporate transportation. The provider will contact their regional consultant and complete the required two(2) hour transportation training prior to transporting children.

**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

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. Consultant discussed ratios with the provider on this date.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed with the provider a supervision plan to ensure that she will position herself to have watchful eye of all children in care. The provider signed and dated the supervision plan on this date.

#### Correction Deadline: 3/2/2023

#### Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. Consultant discussed direct supervision with the provider on this date.