

# 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: 5/10/2022 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 12:15 PM Departure: 12:55 PM

FR-000012323

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Compliance Zone Designation				
12/17/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
06/04/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
12/23/2020	Monitoring Visit	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

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

Children Present: 5 Total Children: 5

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

### Comments

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 <u>www.decalkoala.com</u> 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)

Cecilia Muqtasid, Program Official

Date

Kelly Jones, 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

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

### Comment

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

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

Met

### Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

## Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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

Met

### Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

### Comment

There is no pool on the property

# **Children's Records**

# **Records Reviewed: 5** Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Child #1 Met Child # 2 Met Child #3 Met Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning Page 1 of 4

### Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 4

Met

Child #5

Met

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

**Not Met** 

### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.08(2) - Consultant discussed with the provider to be mindful of expiration date.

Correction Deadline: 5/10/2022

### **Finding**

290-2-3-.08(2) requires the Home to maintain a file for each Child that includes evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations; enrollment in the Home may not continue for more than 30 days without such evidence. It was determined was determined based on a review of records that one of four children's immunization records were not on the correct 3231 form.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that an immunization record/signed affidavit is on file for each enrolled Child.

Correction Deadline: 12/17/2021

### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.08(8) - Consultant discussed updating policies and procedures as needed.

Correction Deadline: 5/10/2022

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

Met

### Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

**Facility** 

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

Met

### Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

### 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

The outside area appears clean and well maintained. Provider uses screened in back porch for outside play.

Food Service

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/17/2021

### **Corrected on 5/10/2022**

.10(6) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Evidence of completed feeding plans are on file.

### Finding

290-2-3-.10(8) requires that food be served according to manufacturer's instructions and recommendations. Foods that are associated with young children's choking incidents, such as, but not limited to, peanuts, hot dogs, raw carrots, popcorn, fish with bones, cheese cubes, grapes and any other food that is of similar shape and size of the trachea/windpipe shall not be served to the children less than four (4) years of age. Children older than four (4) years of age may be served these foods provided that the foods are cut in such a way as to minimize choking. Food shall not be accessible or served to children until it has been chopped, diced, cut or mashed and is appropriate for each child's age and individual eating, chewing and swallowing ability. It was determined based on a review of documentation that hotdogs and grapes were listed on the menu.

### **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will train Staff and monitor food served and accessible to children to ensure that the food does not present a choking hazard.

Correction Deadline: 5/10/2022

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

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

Met

Licensure

### 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

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

### Commen

One of one 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

The Provider was observed directly supervising and being attentive to the needs of the children.