



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 6/21/2023 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up

Arrival: 12:25 PM

Departure: 1:35 PM

FR-23315

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Quality Rated: ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
06/21/2023	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
05/18/2023	Licensing Study	Deficient	
12/12/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

Ratio 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	3	2	0	0	2
3 & 4 Years	4	3	0	0	1
School Age(5+) Years	3	1	0	0	2
Total Under 13 Years	8	6	0	0	3
Total Under 18 Years	10				
Children Present: 10 Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1					
Total Children: 11 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1					

Comments

The purpose of the visit was to follow up on previous citations.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/21/2023

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

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 qualityrated@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Lateisha Williams, Program Official

Date

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Ashley Richards, Regional Consultant

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Children's Records

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 5/28/2023

Corrected on 6/21/2023

.08(1) - Previous citation observed corrected in that the provider obtained the missing documentation.

Finding

290-2-3-.08(13) requires documentation for the care of children, related and unrelated, for whom no pay is received to include a notarized statement from the Parent(s) attesting to the non-pay status. It was determined based on the consultant's review of records that four of eight children present did not have a notarized statement attesting to the non-pay status as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain and maintain documentation.

Correction Deadline: 6/21/2023

Facility

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

Defer

Defer

290-2-3-.13(2)(d)- This will be followed up at the next regulatory visit. The provider has added fencing barriers as a temporary fix until the fencing repairs are completed.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will enclose the outside play area(s) with a four-foot high fence or other Department-approved barrier and inspect regularly to ensure fencing material is safe and any hazards identified are repaired or replaced. The Home will install or repair a fence around swimming pools that makes them inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 5/18/2023

Licensure

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/18/2023

Corrected on 6/21/2023

.04(1)(d) - Previous citation observed corrected in that the provider was only caring for four unrelated children on this date.

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit

Met

Comment

Please replace expired item(s) in first aid kit(s): Benadryl

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

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/17/2023

Corrected on 6/21/2023

.07(8) - Previous citation observed corrected in that staff number #1, and staff number #2 had obtained certification in biennial training program in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) as required.

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/18/2023

Corrected on 6/21/2023

.07(18) - Previous citation observed corrected in that the provider was caring for the appropriate number of children on this date.