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Cover Sheet

Date: 7/15/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 12:20 PM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
03/23/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/15/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/04/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

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	1	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	1	8	0	2	0
Total Under 13 Years	1	7	0	2	0
Total Under 18 Years	1				
Children Present: 1		Total Children: 11			
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3		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, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/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@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical 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)

Rosena Best, Program Official

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Chrissy Miller, Consultant

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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

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

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)

N/A

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 11

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
Child # 6	Met

Records Reviewed: 11

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 7	Met
Child # 8	Met
Child # 9	Met
Child # 10	Met
Child # 11	Met

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

Not Met

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 based on the consultant's review of records that one out of nine records reviewed were missing evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 7/29/2022

Recited on 7/15/2022

Facility

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

Met

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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.13(1) - Discussed with the Provider about ensuring that the water from the A/C does not spill into the Home while the children are present to prevent a falling incident from occurring. The consultant observed that the Provider has been diligently working to ensure that the water does not flood the inside of the Home and has made arrangements to have the A/C unit repaired.

Correction Deadline: 7/15/2022

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) - Discussed that the fence door would need to be reattached to ensure that the fence is enclosed at all times, as required. Also discussed placing a barrier around the trampoline, located in the outside play area, to ensure that the children do not have access to the equipment during the Home's operational hours. There were no children present on the playground during the visit.

Correction Deadline: 7/15/2022

Health and Hygiene

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

290-2-3-.11(1)(m) - Discussed that the Home will need to temporarily close if the room temperature exceeds 85 degrees Fahrenheit in the Home.

Correction Deadline: 7/15/2022

290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

There are no diapered children currently enrolled in the program.

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. There was one child present for pay present during the visit.

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)**Met****Comment**

Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Provider on this date.

290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.11(2)(j) - The provider does not provide routine transportation. Discussed that if the Provider takes the children to the community center, that the correct documentation will be needed to document the activity. Also discussed that the parents or authorized pick-up persons listed on the children's enrollment form can sign the children out of the Home and take their child(ren) to the community center.

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: 5/6/2022****Corrected on 7/15/2022**

.07(8) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The Provider has valid evidence of successful training in CPR and first aid.

290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Defer

290-2-3-.07(9)- The Provider must complete at least ten (10) annual training hours by December 31, 2022 to be in compliance with this rule. This rule will be evaluated at the first visit in 2023.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Previously Cited: The Home will obtain the required annual training and will keep certificates, cards, or other proof of training on file. The Home will submit proof of training to the Department, if requested.

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

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.