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Cover Sheet

Date: 9/23/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 2:00 PM **Departure:** 3:30 PM

FR-27097

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Quality Rated: ★

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.
09/23/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/04/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/11/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

Ratios/License Capacity

Age Ranges	Children Present	Child For Pay	CAPS	Not for Pay	Provider Children
Infant (0-11 mos)	1	1	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	0	0	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	0	0	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	3	0	0	1
Total Under 13 Years	1	4	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	1				

Children Present: 1	Total Children: 5
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3	Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2

Comments

This is the first regulatory visit of the fiscal year.

Per the Provider, the home does not currently dispense medication, provide routine transportation, field trips, or swimming activities.

Per the Director, the center does not currently dispense medication, provide routine transportation, field trips, or swimming activities.

The consultant printed out updated enrollment forms for the Provider to use.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/23/2022

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.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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)

Gwendolyn Jacobs, Program Official

Date

Chrissy Miller, 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

Comment

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

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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

N/A

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

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

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/30/2022

Corrected on 9/23/2022

.08(1) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. Discussed using the updated enrollment forms to document the children;s information for the Home.

Correction Deadline: 6/30/2022

Corrected on 9/23/2022

.08(2) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. The Home had evidence of the children's immunization records on this date. Also, discussed obtaining an immunization record for any new children within 30 days of their enrollment date.

Correction Deadline: 6/30/2022

Corrected on 9/23/2022

.08(9) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. The Home had evidence of attendance records for the week of September 19, 2022 to September 23, 2022.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/30/2022

Corrected on 9/23/2022

.08(3) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. Discussed using the update parental agreements to update the children's information for the Home.

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/30/2022

Corrected on 9/23/2022

.11(2)(a) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. The consultant observed the Home's written emergency plans on this date.

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2022

Corrected on 9/23/2022

.11(2)(c) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. The consultant observed the Home's documentation of emergency drills on this date.

290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)

Met

Comment

The Home appeared clean and free from hazards during the visit.

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

Met

Comment

The outside area appeared clean and well maintained. Discussed keeping the grass cut low. There were no children observed in the outside play area.

Food Service

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/30/2022

Corrected on 9/23/2022

.10(6) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. The Home had evidence of a current food menu.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of hand washing and hygiene procedures.

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

Met

Comment

The provider stated appropriate diapering procedures.

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. The consultant observed one child for pay present during the visit,

Policies and Procedures

290-2-3-.14 Required Reporting

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/17/2022

Corrected on 9/23/2022

.14(5) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. The consultant and the Provider discussed the required reporting procedures as required by this rule. The center does not have any incidents or notifiable communicable diseases to report as of September 23, 2022..

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

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

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

Correction Deadline: 6/30/2022

Corrected on 9/23/2022

.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.

290-2-3-.07 Staff Training **Defer**

Correction Deadline: 6/30/2022

Corrected on 9/23/2022

.07(7) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. The staff had valid evidence of health and safety training, as required.

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)

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

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