

# 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: 4/5/2022 Arrival: 2:10 PM Departure: 2:55 PM VisitType: Licensing Study

FR-52875

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# **Quality Rated:**



Compliance Zone Designation				
04/05/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
08/10/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
01/12/2021	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)	1	2	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	3	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	1	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	1
Total Under 13 Years	5	6	0	0	1
Total Under 18 Years	5		-		

Total Children: 7 Children Present: 5

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 5 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

# Comments

This is the second regulatory visit of the fiscal year.

The home currently has a one-star rating from quality rated.

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

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/05/2022

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.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





# 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 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) Date Date

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# **Findings Report**

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Activities and Equipment

# The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

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290-2-312 Equipment and Supplies(CR)	Met
Comment	
A variety of equipment and toys were observed.	
290-2-319 Infant-Sleeping Safety Requirements(CR)	Met
Comment	
Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.	
290-2-307 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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.08(1) - Please ensure that the parent's list the business address of the employer listed on the enrollment form.

Correction Deadline: 4/5/2022

**Facility** 

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.11(2)(a) - Please use the template provided to ensure that the written emergency plans for the program is comprehensive and includes a plan for handling emergencies, including but not limited to severe weather, loss of electrical power or water and death, serious injury or loss of a child, a threatening event, or natural disaster which may occur at the program; to have in place procedures for evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, lock-down, communication and reunification with families, and continuity of operations. The plan must apply to all children in care and include specific accommodations for infants and toddlers, children with disabilities, and children with chronic medical conditions and shall include assurance that no staff will impede in any way the delivery of emergency care or services to a child by licensed or certified emergency health care professionals.

Correction Deadline: 4/15/2022

#### 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 appeared clean and free from hazards.

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

Met

#### Comment

The outside area appeared clean and well maintained.

**Food Service** 

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.10(3) - Please ensure that the infant feeding plans include instructions for the introduction of solid foods on the document where indicated for all children under 12 months of age.

Correction Deadline: 4/5/2022

#### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.10(8) - Please ensure that 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 is not 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.

Correction Deadline: 4/5/2022

**Health and Hygiene** 

# Met 290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR) Comment Proper hand washing observed throughout the Home. 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 five children for pay during the visit. **Safety and Discipline** 290-2-3-.11 Animals N/A Comment The Family Child Care Learning Home does not keep animals on premises. 290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR) Met Comment Pleasant interactions observed between the Provider and the children in care. 290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR) N/A Comment The provider does not provide routine transportation. **Staff Records** Met 290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) Criminal records checks were observed to be complete. 290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR Met Comment Evidence observed that the provider was certified in First Aid and CPR. 290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR) Met Comment Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations. **Staff: Child Ratios and Supervision**

290-2-307 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)	Met
Comment Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.	
290-2-307 Supervision(CR)	Met

# Comment

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