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Cover Sheet

Date: 1/18/2022 Arrival: 9:35 AM VisitType: Monitoring Visit **Departure:** 10:10 AM

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Good Standing

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Compliance Zone Designation

Monitoring Visit

Licensing Study

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Mailing Address 3814 OLD MITCHELL RD GIBSON, GA 30810

Quality Rated: No

01/18/2022

09/17/2021

03/03/2021

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.

Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting Support

rules. Deficient Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting

the rules.

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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	5	3	0	2	0
3 & 4 Years	1	1	0	2	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	2	0	2	0
Total Under 13 Years	7	7	0	5	0
Total Under 18 Years	7		-		

Children Present: 7 Total Children: 13

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

The provider does not participate in transportation, field trips, swimming or medication.

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.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/18/2022

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 New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: https://gualityrated.decal.ga.gov/ Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx

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)

Sandra Dawson, Program Official	Date	Rebekah Mullinax, Consultant	Date
Kesha McNeal, 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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.19(1)(a)3 requires that each crib and other equipment approved for infant sleep shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on the Consultant's observation that the pack-n-play did not have a tight-fitting sheet as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that each crib or other equipment approved for infant sleep has a tight-fitting sheet that is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 1/18/2022

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

N/A

Comment

There is no pool on the property

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 7 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Child # 1 Met

Child # 2 Met

Records Reviewed: 7

Child # 3

Child # 4

Child # 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Met

Met

Child # 6 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"
Allergy/Medical Information - (.08)(4)

Child # 7 Met

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.08(4) - 290-2-3-.08(4) requires the Home to maintain a file for each Child that includes known allergies, physical problems, mental health disorders, mental retardation or developmental disabilities which would limit the Child's participation in the program. Please ensure that the file for child #6 has documented known allergies, physical problems, mental health disorders, mental retardation or developmental disabilities and if there are none, please indicate that in the child's file.

Correction Deadline: 1/18/2022

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)

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.13(1) requires that the Home be clean and free from hazards. It was determined based on the Consultant's observation that there was a small hole on the left hand bottom wall that is accessible to the children on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the cleanliness and safety of the environment, the Home Provider will make hazardous items inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 1/18/2022

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

Not Met

Comment

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - Please ensure to monitor the playground areas for the following hazards: - Normal wear and tear of playground equipment and toys. Potential entrapment hazards in the fence surrounding the playground area. Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e. ants, bees, etc.). Loose and/or weak tree branches surrounding the playground area. Standing water in and around playground equipment after inclement weather.

Correction Deadline: 1/28/2022

Finding

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) requires that outdoor play areas be kept clean and free of hazards such as exposed sharp corners of concrete or equipment, rust and splinters on equipment, broken glass, open drainage ditches, holes and stagnant water. It was determined based on the Consultant's observation that there was an 11 inch hole on the right middle side of the playground on this date. It was further determined based on the Consultant's observation that there was a shovel and rake that was propped on the outside of the playground fence accessible to children on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will repair any and all identified outdoor hazards and will monitor playground daily or more often as needed to ensure that the Home's outdoor play area is kept clean and free of hazards.

Correction Deadline: 1/28/2022

Comment

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) - requires that outside play areas be protected from traffic or other hazards by fencing or other barriers at least four feet in height and approved by the Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children. A fence shall be provided around swimming pools to make them inaccessible when not in use. Please ensure that your fence is maintained at the required 48 inches. On this date the Consultant observed the fence to measure 36 inches due to the pile up of resilient materials at the bottom of the fence.

Correction Deadline: 1/18/2022

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

Staff state proper knowledge of 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

Consultant observed four unrelated children for pay and three related children not for pay in the Family Child Care Learning Home on this date.

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

Discipline was not directly observed during the walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Provider on this date.

290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR)

N/A

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.

Comment

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

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

Met

Comment

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/17/2021

Corrected on 1/18/2022

.07(18) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant observed six children under the age of three years present and one child under the age of five years present on this date.

290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.