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Date:	9/30/2021 Visi t	t Type: Licensing	g Study	/ Arri	i val: 1:00	PM De	eparture: 2:00 PM	
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<u>C</u>	ompliance Zone De	signation					a program's 12 month mor	
09/30/2021 Licensing Study Good Standing			history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good standing, support, and deficient.					
06/23/202	1 Monitoring Visit	Good Standing					eeting	
03/15/202	1 Licensing Study	the rules. sing Study Good Standing Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need rules.				a need for improvement in	ed for improvement in meeting	
			Deficie		s not demons	strating an accept	able level of performance	in meeting
Ratios/	License Capacity							
Age Ranges Children Pre			sent	Child For Pay	CAPS	Not for Pay	Provider Children	
Infant (0-11 mos)		0		0	0	0	0	1
1 & 2 Y		0		0	0	0	0	
3 & 4 Y		4		5	0	1	0	
School Age(5+) Years 1		1		3	0	1	0	1

Total Under 13 Years	5	8	0	2	0		
Total Under 18 Years	5						
Children Present: 5 Total Children: 10							
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2	Total C	Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2					

Comments

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An Administrative Review was conducted on September 30, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on September 30, 2021 with the Provider. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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 09/30/2021

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, <u>http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</u>, 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: <u>https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</u> Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <u>qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</u>

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)

Cathrene Howard, Program Official

Date

Rebekah Mullinax, Consultant

Date

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The following information is asso	ociated with a Licensi	ng Study:	Activit	ies and Ed	quipment		
290-2-312 Equipment and Suppl	lies(CR)				Met		
Comment A variety of equipment and toys wer 290-2-319 Infant-Sleeping Safety					Met		
Comment Currently the provider is not caring f Comment Pleasant naptime environment obse 290-2-307 Swimming Pools & W	for infants. (This rule wa		ted on this date	9)	N/A		
Comment There is no pool on the property		(())					
			(Children's	Records		
Records Reviewed: 5		Records wit	h Missing/Inc	omplete Com	ponents: 0		
Child # 1			Met				
Child # 2			Met				
Child # 3			Met				
Child # 4			Met				
Child # 5			Met				

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

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

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

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

	Facility
290-2-311 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
Comment	
An operable and appropriately sized fire extinguisher was observed in the home this date.	
Comment	
Operable smoke detectors were observed as required in the home this date.	
290-2-313 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)	Met
Comment	
The Home appears clean and free from hazards.	
290-2-313 Playgrounds(CR)	N/A
Comment	
There is no pool on the property	
Health a	nd Hygiene
290-2-311 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)	Met
Comment Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the provider on this date.	
290-2-311 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)	Met
Comment	
There are no diapered children currently enrolled in the program.	
290-2-311 Medications(CR)	N/A

Comment

Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed

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

Comment

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

Safety and Discipline

Met

Licensure

Met

Met

290-2-3-.11 Animals

Comment

The Family Child Care Learning Home does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Provider on this date.

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Provider stated

290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit

Comment

Complete first aid kit observed in the Family Child Care Learning Home

290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

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

Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

that there have been no new hires since last visit.

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

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

Comment

Comment

Comment

Evidence observed that the provider was certified in First Aid and CPR.

290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

Comment

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

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

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

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Met

N/A

Met

N/A

Staff Records

Met

Met

Met

Met

Met