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Cover Sheet

Date: 12/12/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:15 AM

Departure: 12:00 PM

FR-23315

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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.
12/12/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/29/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
06/08/2022	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	Good Standing	

Ratios/License Capacity

Age Ranges	Children Present	Child For Pay	CAPS	Not for Pay	Provider Children
Infant (0-11 mos)	2	1	0	0	1
1 & 2 Years	5	4	0	0	2
3 & 4 Years	2	4	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	5	0	0	2
Total Under 13 Years	9	13	0	0	3
Total Under 18 Years	9				
Children Present: 10 Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3					
Total Children: 19 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 3					
More than 6 for pay 6 for pay present & no-pay present does not have a notarized no-pay statement					

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit and to follow up on the previous visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/12/2022

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/RuleAndRegulations.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)

Lateisha Williams, Program Official

Date

Melyn Smith, 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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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

Technical Assistance

Correction Deadline: 12/12/2022

Corrected on 12/12/2022

.19(1)(a)3 - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the crib was observed to have a tight fitting sheet on this date.

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.19(2) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure cribs were free of objects, in that blankets were observed in one crib and a bottle was observed in another crib with infants present.

Correction Deadline: 12/12/2022

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

N/A

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Comment

There is no pool on the property

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 19

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 5

Child # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Release Person Information - (.08)(10)

Child # 2 Met

Child # 3 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(2)

Child # 4 Met

Child # 5 Met

Child # 6 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(2)

Child # 7 Met

Child # 8 Met

Child # 9 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Name Missing - (.08)(1), Date of Birth Missing - (.08)(1), Parents Names Missing - (.08)(1), Mom Home # Missing - (.08)(1), Mom Work # Missing - (.08)(1), Dad Home # Missing - (.08)(1), Dad Work # Missing - (.08)(1), Physician & Emergency Contact Information - (.08)(1), Immunization Form - (.08)(2), Emergency Medical Authorization - (.08)(3), Allergy/Medical Information - (.08)(4), Transportation Agreement - (.08)(7), Release Person Information - (.08)(10)

Child # 10 Met

Child # 11 Met

Child # 12 Met

Child # 13 Met

Child # 14 Met

Child # 15 Met

Child # 16 Met

Child # 17 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Name Missing - (.08)(1), Date of Birth Missing - (.08)(1), Parents Names Missing - (.08)(1), Mom Home # Missing - (.08)(1), Mom Work # Missing - (.08)(1), Dad Home # Missing - (.08)(1), Dad Work # Missing - (.08)(1), Physician & Emergency Contact Information - (.08)(1), Immunization Form - (.08)(2), Emergency Medical Authorization - (.08)(3), Allergy/Medical Information - (.08)(4), Transportation Agreement - (.08)(7), Release Person Information - (.08)(10)

Child # 18 Met

Child # 19

Met

290-2-3-.08 Children's Records**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.08(1) requires the Home to have a current and updated record for each Child in care and for a period of one (1) year after each Child leaves. Such records shall include: identifying information (Child's name, birth date, Parent's name, home and business addresses, telephone numbers); name, address and telephone number of persons, including Child's physician, to contact in emergencies; and name, address, telephone numbers, relationship to Child and to Parent(s) and other identifying information of person(s) to whom the Child may be released. It was determined, based on review of records, that the provider was lacking a record for two of fourteen children enrolled on this date. It was further determined that one enrolled child was lacking the addresses for release persons on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain the missing information and maintain the Children's records as required.

Correction Deadline: 12/30/2022**Recited on 12/12/2022****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 review of records, that the Home was lacking evidence of age-appropriate immunizations for four enrolled children on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 12/30/2022**Recited on 12/12/2022****Facility****290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.11(2)(c) requires that documentation of drills required by these rules shall be maintained in the Home. The Home shall conduct drills for fire, tornado, and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Home shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years. It was determined, based on review of records, that the Home had no documentation for emergency drills from July to November 2022 on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Provider will develop and implement a plan and schedule for conducting the required drills, completing the documentation, keeping the documentation on file for two years.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2022**Recited on 12/12/2022****Correction Deadline: 6/8/2022**

Corrected on 12/12/2022

.11(2)(f) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that poisons, medicines, cleaning agents, and other hazardous materials were observed not accessible to children on this date.

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

Comment

The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

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

Correction Deadline: 6/18/2022

Corrected on 12/12/2022

.13(2)(a) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that no hazards were observed in the outdoor play area on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/8/2022

Corrected on 12/12/2022

.13(2)(d) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the outside play area was enclosed by a fence at least four feet in height and in good repair on this date.

Food Service

290-2-3-.10 Kitchen Operations Met

Correction Deadline: 6/8/2022

Corrected on 12/12/2022

.10(17) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that garbage was observed to be stored in trash containers with lids on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Correction Deadline: 6/8/2022

Corrected on 12/12/2022

.04(1)(d) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the Home was observed to have six unrelated children for pay and three unrelated children for no pay on this date.

Comment

Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this date. The Provider was observed to provide care for six unrelated children for pay and three related children for no pay on this date.

290-2-3-.05 Inspections & Investigations**Met****Correction Deadline: 6/8/2022****Corrected on 12/12/2022**

.05(b) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the Home allowed access to the Consultant on this date.

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)**N/A****Comment**

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Staff Records

290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 6/8/2022****Corrected on 12/12/2022**

.21(1)(a) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that all staff had evidence of a current and valid satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file on this date.

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

Correction Deadline: 6/8/2022**Corrected on 12/12/2022**

.21(1)(c) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that all staff had evidence of a current and valid satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file on this date.

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****Defer**

290-2-3-.07(9)- Previous citation deferred and will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit due to annual training for 2022 not being due until December 31, 2022.

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: 12/31/2021

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

Correction Deadline: 6/18/2022**Corrected on 12/12/2022**

.07(15) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the Provider was observed to provide care for six unrelated children for pay and three related children for no pay on this date.

Finding

290-2-3-.07)(18) requires the Home to ensure that an Employee or Provisional Employee, who must be at least sixteen (16) years of age, must be present to assist with supervision whenever more than three (3) children under the age of twelve (12) months are present, more than six (6) children under the age of three (3) years are present or more than eight (8) children under the age of five (5) years are present. It was determined, based on observation, that the Provider cared for seven children under three-years-old without a Helper present on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will ensure than an Employee or Provisional Employee is present to assist with supervision as required by the rules.

Correction Deadline: 12/12/2022**Comment**

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