

# 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: 9/24/2021 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 10:00 AM

Departure: 11:10 AM

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## Quality Rated: No

			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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 go			
09/24/2021	Licensing Study		standing, support, and deficient.			
04/28/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.			
11/05/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	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 Childrer	
Infant (0-11 mos)	2	2	0	0	0	
1 & 2 Years	2	2	0	0	0	
3 & 4 Years	2	3	0	0	0	
School Age(5+) Years	0	2	0	0	0	
Total Under 13 Years	6	9	0	0	0	
Total Under 18 Years	6					
Children Present: 6	Total C	Children: 9				
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2	Total C	Caregivers/Helpers: 1				

#### Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on September 24, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on September 24, 2021, with the Provider. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on June 16, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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)

Sandra Sledge, Program Official

Date

Laura Swann, Consultant

Date

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LaGrange, GA 30240	ation is associated	d with a Licensi	ng Study:	Activit	ies and Ec	quipment		
290-2-312 Equipmer	t and Supplias/C	<b>-</b> )				Met		
<b>Comment</b> Toys and equipment of	bserved to be clear	n and safe from h	nazardous cor	nditions.				
290-2-319 Infant-Sle Comment Mats were in good repart		uirements(CR)				Met		
290-2-307 Swimming		elated Activities	s(CR)			Met		
<b>Comment</b> There is no pool on the	e property							
				(	Children's	Records		
Records Reviewed:	6		Records wit	th Missing/Inc	complete Com	ponents: 0		
Child # 1				Met				
Child # 2				Met				
Child # 3				Met				
Child # 4				Met				
Child # 5				Met				

Met

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

## Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

	Facility
290-2-311 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
Comment Home observed complete emergency drills	
290-2-313 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)	Met
<b>Comment</b> The Home appears clean and free from hazards.	
290-2-313 Playgrounds(CR)	Met
<b>Comment</b> The outside area appears clean and well maintained.	
F	lealth and Hygiene
290-2-311 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)	Met
<b>Comment</b> Staff state proper knowledge of hand washing and hygiene procedures.	
290-2-311 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)	Met
<b>Comment</b> Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.	
290-2-311 Medications(CR)	Met
<b>Comment</b> Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed	
	Licensure
290-2-304 Application Requirements(CR)	Met
	Wet
<b>Comment</b> Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this of	data

# Safety and Discipline

# 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

The provider and/or the home's employee were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

Met

Met

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

## Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Staff Records

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

## 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 Staff Qualifications(CR)

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

# **Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision**

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

## Comment

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

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

#### Comment

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

## Met

Met

Met

Met