



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334
Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Date: 3/16/2023 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 1:20 PM

Departure: 3:00 PM

FR-24751

Shy, Mary N

109 Eastlake Drive Warner Robins, GA 31093 Houston County
(478) 978-2921 shyshy0@hotmail.com

Regional Consultant

Charlene Story

Phone: (770) 405-7942

Fax: (770) 408-0759

charlene.story@dec.al.ga.gov

Mailing Address
Same

Quality Rated: No

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.
03/16/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/27/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/29/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

Ratios/License Capacity

Age Ranges	Children Present	Child For Pay	CAPS	Not for Pay	Provider Children
Infant (0-11 mos)	0	0	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	1	0	0	0	1
3 & 4 Years	0	1	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	1	0	0	2
Total Under 13 Years	1	2	0	0	3
Total Under 18 Years	1				
Children Present: 1 Total Children: 5 Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1					

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Licensing study.

Children files were available for the consultant to review.

An exit conference discussing the licensing study report was conducted with the provider on this date. Consultant emailed a copy of the signed licensing study report to the provider on this date.

Consultant assisted provider with setting up a GAPDS account and emailed the provider the emergency drill form to complete for the year 2023.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/16/2023

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.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

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)



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 1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Mary Shy, Program Official

Date

Charlene Story, Consultant

Date



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

(Findings Report)

Date: 3/16/2023 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 1:20 PM

Departure: 3:00 PM

FR-24751

Shy, Mary N

109 Eastlake Drive Warner Robins, GA 31093 Houston County
(478) 978-2921 shyshy0@hotmail.com

Regional Consultant

Charlene Story

Phone: (770) 405-7942

Fax: (770) 408-0759

charlene.story@decal.ga.gov

Mailing Address
Same

The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

290-2-3-.12 Equipment and Supplies(CR)

Met

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Currently the provider is not caring for infants. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

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

Met

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 4/8/2022

Corrected on 3/16/2023

.11(2)(a) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed documentation of an Emergency Preparedness Plan posted in the home.

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, the provider did not have documentation of emergency drills for consultant to review for the previous year 2022 or current 2023.

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: 3/16/2023

Recited on 3/16/2023

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
------------------------------------	------------

Comment

The outside area appears clean and well maintained.

Food Service

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

Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk 5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk 2 of 5 Components for snack Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers. The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website: DECAL <http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx> USDA <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Proper hand washing of children was discussed with the provider on this date.

290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)	Met
--	------------

Comment

The provider stated appropriate diapering procedures.

290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)	Met
------------------------------------	------------

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.

Policies and Procedures

290-2-3-.14 Required Reporting	Met
---------------------------------------	------------

Correction Deadline: 10/27/2022

Corrected on 3/16/2023

.14(5) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Provider is aware that reporting temporary closures in DECAL KOALA is a requirement by the department.

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Animals	Met
----------------------------	------------

Comment

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

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

Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit	Met
----------------------------------	------------

Comment

Please replace add missing or expired items in first aid kit.

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

Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Staff Records

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

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 Independent Contractors(CR)	Met
--	------------

Comment

The facility does not currently have any independent contractors employed.

290-2-3-.07 Other Staff Direct Contact with Children(CR)	Met
---	------------

Comment

The facility does not currently have any additional staff employed.

290-2-3-.07 Provisional Employees	Met
--	------------

Comment

Observed compliance with the local zoning authorities, fire safety agencies and local building authorities 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	Not Met
-----------------------------------	----------------

Finding

290-2-3-.07(9) requires that every calendar year, after the first year of employment the Provider, and any Provisional Employees or and Employees, shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is task-focused in on-going health, safety and early childhood or child development related topics and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department- approved source. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training shall be maintained in the Home by the Provider, as required by these rules. It was determined based on review of staff records, provider did not complete the ten (10) hours of required annual training for the year 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: 4/15/2023

290-2-3-.07 Students-in-Training(CR)	Met
---	------------

Comment

The facility does not currently have any students-in-training employed.

290-2-3-.07 Volunteers(CR)	Met
-----------------------------------	------------

Comment

The facility does not currently have any volunteers employed.

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

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

Comment

There were no children present during the time of the inspection. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)