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**Date:** 2/27/2017    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 9:05 AM    **Departure:** 10:15 AM

**FR-16811**

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<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
02/27/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
10/26/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing
06/06/2016	POI Follow Up	Good Standing

**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 the 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 Children
Infant (0-11 mos)	1	2	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	2	5	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	3	0	1	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	1	0	0	2
<b>Total Under 13 Years</b>	4	11	0	1	2
<b>Total Under 18 Years</b>	4				

Children Present: 4

Total Children: 14


Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1

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**Comments**

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/27/2017

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).

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- 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.

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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.

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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)

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Shalin Curtis, Program Official

Date

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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

<b>Activities and Equipment</b>
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**290-2-3-.19 Infant-Sleeping Safety Requirements(CR)**

**Not Met**

**Finding**

290-2-3-.19(1)(a) requires that the Home shall provide either a safety approved crib or other equipment that is approved for infant sleep for each infant who cannot climb out of the crib or other approved equipment. Each crib shall be safety approved in compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards; any other equipment, such as, but not limited to, a portable crib, playpen, play yard or bassinet, shall be in compliance with current ASTM Standard Consumer Safety Specifications for Non-Full-Size Baby Cribs/Play Yards. It was determined that based on observations and discussion with the provider that the home did not have a safety approved crib or other approved sleeping equipment available for the one enrolled infant.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Home Provider will purchase a safety approved sleeping equipment for each enrolled infant.

**Correction Deadline: 3/2/2017**

**Finding**

290-2-3-.19(1)(b)1 requires that cots and mats shall be of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate comfortably the size and weight of the child. Mats must be in good repair, washable, covered with waterproof material and at least two inches (2") thick. It was determined that based on observations that the children mats measured one inch thick.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The home will ensure that mats are at least two inches in depth.

**Correction Deadline: 3/6/2017**

**Recited on 2/27/2017**

**Finding**

290-2-3-.19(2)(h) requires that infants shall only sleep in a safety approved crib or other equipment approved for infant sleep as described in 290-2-3-.19(1)(a) and shall not sleep in any other equipment, such as, but not limited to, a car safety seat, bouncy seat, highchair, or swing. Infants who arrive at the facility asleep or fall asleep in such equipment or on the floor shall be transferred to a safety approved crib or other equipment approved for infant sleep. It was determined based on discussion with the provider that the home did not have a safety approved sleeping equipment for the one enrolled infant. The provider stated that the infant sleeps on the couch or in her car seat.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Home Provider will purchase a safety approved sleeping equipment for each enrolled infant. The provider will ensure that all infant s sleep in safety approved equipment.

**Correction Deadline: 3/1/2017**

**290-2-3-.07 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)****N/A****Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

<b>Children's Records</b>
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**290-2-3-.08 Parental Authorization(CR)****Met****Comment**

Parent Authorizations Obtained/Completed

<b>Facility</b>
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**290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

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

The children play on an enclosed patio. Please remove adult bikes before children go out on the patio space.

<b>Licensure</b>
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**290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.04(1)(d) - Application requirements met on this date. There were four children for pay present.

**Correction Deadline: 2/27/2017**

<b>Safety and Discipline</b>
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**290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

No inappropriate discipline observed during the visit.

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

No transportation.

<b>Staff Records</b>
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**290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 10/27/2016****Corrected on 2/27/2017****.21(1)(c) - Criminal record checks complete.**

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**290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR****Not Met****Correction Deadline: 6/10/2016****Corrected on 2/27/2017****.07(4)(a-d) - The previous citation has been corrected. Observed documentation that the provider has CPR and first aid training.****Finding**

290-2-3-.07(5) requires the Home to maintain for the Provider and for any Employee with direct care responsibilities current evidence of successful completion of a biennial training program in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in first aid which have been offered by certified or licensed health care professionals and which dealt with emergency care for infants and children. The Provider shall attend ten clock hours of diverse training which is related to care of children and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department approved source annually. Records of completion of such training programs shall be maintained in the Home by the Provider, as required by these rules. The annual ten clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: (a) Child Development: including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; (b) Health: including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; (c) Child Abuse and Neglect: including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and (d) Business Related Topics: including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two of the required ten clock hours of training. It was determined based on review of records that the provider had not obtained any documentation of training available.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Home will obtain the required annual training and will keep certificates, cards, or other proof of training on file.

**Correction Deadline: 4/7/2017**

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**290-2-3-.07 Independent Contractors(CR)****Met****Comment**

No Independent contractors

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

No additional staff

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**290-2-3-.07 Staff Training****Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.07(4) requires the Family Day Care Home to ensure the Provider, on an annual basis, attends ten clock hours of diverse training which is related to care of children and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department approved source. Records of completion of such training programs shall be maintained in the Family Day Care Home, as required by these rules. It was determined that the provider had not acquired any additional training since the last visit on April 13, 2016. The provider did not have any documentation of training available.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The provider will ensure that annual training is completed as required.

**Correction Deadline: 4/7/2017****Recited on 2/27/2017**

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

No Students-in-training

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

No Volunteers

<b>Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision</b>
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**290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Adequate Supervision