

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)



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Findings Report

Date: 6/6/2018 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 11:45 AM

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

290-2-3-.09 Activities

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.09(1) - Please ensure to add more Art, Science, and Music items to the childcare area.

Correction Deadline: 6/6/2018

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.12(7) requires all indoor and outdoor furniture and equipment shall be secured if equipment and furniture is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. Potentially unstable equipment and furniture that might injure a child if not secured include, but are not limited to, televisions, chests of drawers, bookcases, shelving, cabinets and fish tanks. Examples of items not required to be secured include, but are not limited to, child-sized tables and chairs, rocking chairs, and cribs. It was determined based on consultant's observation the television in the family room / childcare area is not secured which poses a tipping hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will secure the television to prevent from tipping or falling over on a child. The Home Provider will ensure that all potentially dangerous equipment is maintained secure.

Correction Deadline: 6/6/2018

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

Met

Comment

On this date, Consultant observed two (2) of two (2) pack and play cribs used for sleeping and resting, to meet Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards. Consultant also discussed all Infant Safe Sleeping and Resting requirements with the Provider, prior to the visit and on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/6/2018

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

On this date, the Provider stated that the program will not participate in Swimming/water activities, in water measuring two (2) feet in depth or greater. Consultant discussed Swimming/water requirements with the Provider, prior to the visit and on this date. Consultant also stated to the Provider that prior to participating in Swimming/water activities, in any type of equipment holding water two (2) feet in depth or greater, the Center is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review Swimming/water activity Rules.

Facility

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

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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)**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) requires that outdoor play areas be kept clean and free of hazards such as exposed sharp corners of concrete or equipment, rust and splinters on equipment, broken glass, open drainage ditches, holes and stagnant water. It was determined based on consultant's observation the following hazards were observed.

- * Consultant observed a trail of ants inside the fenced playground area.
- * Consultant observed 31 protruding screws which measured approximately seven (7) threads long.
- * Consultant observed two (2) lawn mowers in an open area under the patio accessible to the children. .
- * Consultant observed two (2) large tree stumps in the route to the playground area covered with plastic buckets..
- * Consultant observed gaps on the deck railing, and under each step measuring between five (5) and seven (7) inches.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will repair any and all identified outdoor hazards and will monitor playground daily or more often as needed to ensure that the Home's outdoor play area is kept clean and free of hazards.

Correction Deadline: 6/16/2018

Health and Hygiene

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. The consultant discussed with the provider proper hand washing of children and staff.

290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.11(1)(f) - The consultant discussed with the provider to ensure a non-porous surface is available for diapering.

Correction Deadline: 6/6/2018

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

Licensure

290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)**Met****Comment**

On this date, Consultant observed the Provider to meet Application Requirements, and discussed Application Requirements with the Provider. Per Zoning, the Licensed capacity of the Family Child Care Learning Home was limited to a maximum of six (6) children,

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 enrolled on this date. Consultant discussed with the Provider the discipline policy and discussed regulations regarding proper discipline prior to the visit and on this date.

290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.11(1)(e) - The consultant discussed with the provider to ensure the first aid antibiotic is not expired, and to add a face mask to the kit.

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

The Provider stated that the Home will not provide routine Transportation and Field Trips at this time. Consultant discussed with Provider, all requirements needed in order to transport and conduct field trips with children, prior to the visit and on this date. Consultant also stated to Provider that prior to providing Transportation and/or Field Trips, the Home is required to maintain current documentation of CPR and First - Aid Training, complete two (2) clock hours of Transportation Training, regarding the Provider and any Home - Helper Staff participating in any aspect of Transportation, ensure all Transportation/Field Trip checklists/forms and vehicle requirements are met, and contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review all Transportation and Field Trip requirements.

Staff Records

290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR)**Met****Comment**

On this date, Consultant observed a Satisfactory Gelmato COGENT Criminal Records Check Determination letter, regarding two (2) of two (2) Center Employees. Consultant also discussed all Gelmato COGENT Criminal Records Check requirements with the Provider prior to the visit and on this date.

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

On this date, Consultant observed Provider education requirements to be met

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Consultant discussed ratios and supervision with the Provider on this date and prior to the visit.

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

Met

Comment

Currently there are no children enrolled in the program. Consultant discussed proper supervision with the Provider on this date and prior to the visit.