



Please refer to the website, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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)

Ericka Baker, Program Official

Date

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Date



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Findings Report

Date: 7/19/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:20 AM **Departure:** 11:05 AM

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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 accessible to the children.

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

Comment

Currently the provider is not caring for infants. The children mats were stored as required.

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

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 4

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2022

Corrected on 7/19/2022

.08(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Observed children enrollment forms on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2022

Corrected on 7/19/2022

.08(11) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Observed no liability forms on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2022

Corrected on 7/19/2022

.08(13) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Observed forms on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2022

Corrected on 7/19/2022

.08(2) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Observed children immunization forms on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2022

Corrected on 7/19/2022

.08(9) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Observed arrival and departure records on this date.

290-2-3-.08 Parental Authorization(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2022

Corrected on 7/19/2022

.08(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Emergency medical care forms were observed for the enrolled children.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

An operable and appropriately sized fire extinguisher was observed in the home 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: 2/25/2022

Corrected on 7/19/2022

.13(2)(d) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The Provider has added dirt to bottom of the fence. The Provider will continue to monitor the spacing at the bottom of the fence.

Food Service

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2022

Corrected on 7/19/2022

.10(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. There are no infants enrolled at this time.

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2022

Corrected on 7/19/2022

.10(6) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Observed the menu on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

The Provider stated proper knowledge of hand washing and hygiene procedures.

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

Comment

The diapering area was observed to be in good condition.

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: 2/18/2022

Corrected on 7/19/2022

.04(1)(d) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The appropriate number of children were observed in the Family Child Care Learning Home on this date.

Safety and Discipline

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed.

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**

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

290-2-3-.07 Provider Qualifications **Defer**

Defer

290-2-3-.07(2)-This rule will be evaluated during the next visit. The education plan was updated to reflect new anticipated completion date of August 2022.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Provider will obtain and submit the necessary documentation to the Department.

Correction Deadline: 2/25/2022

290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)

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

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2022

Corrected on 7/19/2022

.07(15) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.