



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 4/11/2022    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 11:10 AM    **Departure:** 12:20 PM

**FR-9900105671**

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**Quality Rated:**

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
04/11/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
10/26/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing
02/05/2021	Licensing Study	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)	0	0	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	3	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	2	2	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	1	1	0	0	0
<b>Total Under 13 Years</b>	6	6	0	0	0
<b>Total Under 18 Years</b>	6				

Children Present: 6	Total Children: 6
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 4	Total Caregivers/Helpers: 3

**Comments**

An in person visit was completed on April 11, 2022. The Admin Review was completed on April 21, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/12/2022

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.state.ga.us/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



### 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](mailto: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](http://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)

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Lisa Newman, Program Official

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Neli Todorova, Consultant

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### Findings Report

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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.

**Comment**

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Comment**

Currently the provider is not caring for infants. One safety approved crib was observed.

**Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

**Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.19(1)(b)4 - Please ensure that individual covers are offered during naps.

**Correction Deadline: 4/12/2022**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Home does not provide swimming activities.

**Comment**

There is no pool on the property

### Facility

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

**Technical Assistance**

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290-2-3-.11(2)(f) - Please ensure that any potentially hazardous items are kept inaccessible to the children.

**Correction Deadline: 4/12/2022**

**Comment**

An operable and appropriately sized fire extinguisher was observed in the home this date.

**Comment**

Operable smoke detectors were observed on both floors as required in the home this date.

**Comment**

The provider reported no fire arms.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

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

**Not Met**

**Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - Please ensure that the vines growing on the fence are cut and made inaccessible to the children.

**Correction Deadline: 4/22/2022**

**Finding**

290-2-3-.13(2)(c) requires that climbing and swinging equipment that are not portable have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment, which is adequately maintained by the Home to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on observation and measurements that the fall zone for the regular swings measured approximately five feet to the front and four feet to the back. The length of the swing chain measured 42 inches. Additionally, the depth of the mulch measured between three and four inches.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

Consultant discussed with the provider that the fall (use) zone for regular swings is determined by measuring length of the swing chain and adding seven feet. Fall zones must extend in front and in back of the stationary swing. . The fall zones in the front and in the back needs to have at least six (6) inches of depth. The Home will ensure that there is an adequate resilient surface under and in the fall zone of climbing and swinging equipment. The Home will inspect equipment and resilient surfacing material regularly and repair or replenish as needed.

**Correction Deadline: 4/22/2022**

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<b>Food Service</b>
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**290-2-3-.10 Food Service & Nutrition**

**Met**

**Comment**

290-2-3-.10(9) - Please ensure that the child with the feeding bag has documentation of the modified diet.

**Correction Deadline: 4/11/2022**

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<b>Health and Hygiene</b>
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**290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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**290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.11(1)(f) requires diapers to be changed in the Child's own crib or on a nonporous surface which is cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single use disposable towel after each diaper change. It was determined based on observation that the diapering table surface was not smooth and non-porous in several areas.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

To ensure the control of disease transmission, the Home Provider will change diapers in the child's crib or a nonporous surface. The diapering surface will be cleaned and disinfected between use with a single use disposable towel.

**Correction Deadline: 4/12/2022****Comment**

The provider stated appropriate diapering procedures.

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**290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.11(1)(d) prohibits Personnel from dispensing prescription or nonprescription medications to a Child without specific written authorization from the Child's physician or Parent. All medications shall be stored as authorized by Georgia law or in accordance with the prescription or label instructions and kept in places that are inaccessible to children. Each dose of medication given to a Child shall be documented showing the Child's name, name of medication, date and time given, and the name of the person giving the medication. It was determined based on observation that there was a bottle of over the counter nasal drops in a child's backpack that was accessible to the children. The medication was not handled or ingested by a child.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Home will obtain written authorization before giving medicine to a Child; will document each time medicine is administered to a child; will store medicine as required in an area that is locked or not accessible to children; and will store medicine that must be refrigerated in a leak-proof container that is inaccessible to children.

**Correction Deadline: 4/12/2022****Comment**

Please ensure that the child with the feeding bag has documentation on file completed by the pediatrician/specialist detailing the step-by-step process of feeding. It is strongly suggested that a log of the feeding is kept on file.

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

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

Application requirements reviewed with the Provider on this date.

**Comment**

Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this date.

<b>Safety and Discipline</b>
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**290-2-3-.11 Animals** **Met**

**Comment**

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

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

**Comment**

Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care.

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

**Comment**

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

**Staff Records**

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

**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.

**Comment**

Please ensure that applicants/staff are listing exact dates (including month/day/year) on 10 year work history form in order to determine any breaks in service from the child care industry.

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

**Comment**

Discussed staff qualifications and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

**Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision**

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

**Comment**

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

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

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.