



## BRIGHT FROM THE START

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**Notice of Adoption  
Emergency Rules of  
Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
Child Care Services  
Rules Chapter 591-1-1 (Child Care Learning Centers)  
Rules Chapter 290-2-1 (Group Day Care Homes)**

Notice Date: July 22, 2011

Dear Sir or Madam:

On July 19, 2011, the Board of Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (Bright from the Start) adopted emergency rules for the Rules for Child Care Learning Centers (Chapter 591-1-1) and the Rules for Group Day Care Homes (Chapter 290-2-1) regarding transportation requirements.

The emergency rules became effective on July 21, 2011, and these rules will remain in effect for a period of 120 days. The emergency rules have been adopted in accordance with O.C.G.A. Section 50-13-4(b).

Please click the link below to Bright from the Start's website to obtain copies of Emergency Child Care Learning center Rule 591-1-1-0.3-.36 and Emergency Group Day Care Home Rule 290-2-1-0.20-.11. The revisions to these rules are highlighted in yellow.

<http://www.dec.state.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RulesAndRegulations.aspx>

Please note that these emergency rules address additional transportation requirements for centers and group day care homes to follow, including the requirement for **a second physical inspection of the transportation vehicle** to ensure that all children are accounted for and no child is left on the vehicle. Additionally, **passenger transportation checklist requirements** are enhanced. Please carefully review these emergency rules.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding these emergency rules, please contact your Child Care Services consultant or you may call 404-657-5562 to speak to the Child Care Services consultant of the day.

Sincerely,

Bobby D. Cagle, MSW  
Commissioner