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To assist Consumers with the problem of finding new Personal Care Assistants, Consumer Directed Services offers the following Newsletter, which will be published weekly, whenever the names of potential Personal Assistants, new PCA Employment Agencies, or CDPAP related articles become available. If you have any questions, comments or recommendations, please contact me at elitcher@consumerdirectedservices.com, also should you choose to remove your address from this list, please send an email to the above address.

Reminder: to receive this Newsletter, a Consumer or Advocate need only complete the top portion of the [Consumer - Enrollment Form](#). Should a new or previously enrolled Consumer complete both portions of this form; Consumer Directed Services will automatically share their Employment Opportunity information with the list of PCA Employment Agencies. Best Regards, Ed Litcher

Available PCA's

Sorry no new PCA's this week.

Note: to enhance communication between Consumers, PCA's and PCA Employment Agencies, starting in February, Consumer Directed Services will be placing an advertisement in the New York City edition of Able Newspaper.

Thursday, January 20, 2011 at 13:03:02

Personal Assistant: Stephanie Moore - savethepitbulls5@aol.com
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Experience: Domestic/Homemaking,, Personal Care / Home Health,, Children,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Hemiplegia,, Amputation,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,
Documentation: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations
Hours: 10 , Days: 2-3, Start Time: open
Comments: references upon request currently employed in long island ny as under a cdpap case

Saturday, January 15, 2011 at 16:33:58

Personal Assistant: Delores Cruz deloresmcruz7@aol.com
Address1: 125 clinton ave #B, albany.ny.12210 Phone: 518-462-2914
Experience: Domestic/Homemaking,, Young Adults,
Documentation: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,
Hours: 30, Days: 5, Start Time: 5 pm
Comments: I am dedicated to serving the needs to individuals that can not fully do for themselves. I am a people person and love to help people. I have helped countless of neighbors and relatives and would do it again.

Articles

[U.S. Says New York City Overbilled Medicaid](#)

By [ANEMONA HARTOCOLLIS](#) Published: January 11, 2011

The federal government has accused New York City of overbilling [Medicaid](#) by “at least tens of millions of dollars” by improperly approving 24-hour home care for thousands of patients.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2011/01/12/nyregion/12medicaid.html?ref=nyregion>

[As New York City Defends Medicaid Approvals, Fear of Suit's Fallout Grows](#)

By [ANEMONA HARTOCOLLIS](#) Published: January 12, 2011

[Medicaid](#) fraud conjures up images of shady doctors, pharmacists and businessmen being led away in handcuffs by federal agents as photographers snap away and television cameras roll. But this week, Medicaid fraud investigators struck out in a new direction as federal prosecutors [brought a civil fraud lawsuit](#) accusing the New York City government of using the bureaucracy to run its own Medicaid mill. And in the minds of several advocates for aged and disabled people, the lawsuit raised new questions about health policy, just as the government is expanding health care.

http://www.nytimes.com/2011/01/13/nyregion/13medicaid.html?_r=1&hpw

[January 12, 2011 Demand Letter to US Attorney](#)

We request that you immediately withdraw the ill considered Complaint-in-Intervention against the City of New York that was filed this week, alleging that the City is defrauding the United States by giving people Medicaid personal care services rather than placing them in nursing homes.

wnylc.com/health/afile/148/216/

[Disability Activists Weigh In Strong On Medicaid Redesign : Center ...](#)

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[Updated Advisory: CANCELLED DUE TO SNOWSTORM](#)

Public Forums on Reducing Medicaid Cost, Improving Efficiency Canceled Today at Baruch College and Bronx Community College ALBANY, N.Y. (Jan. 27, 2011)

Today's planned public forums with the New York State Medicaid Redesign Team at **Baruch College** and **Bronx Community** College have been **canceled** because of the snowstorm. The public hearings in New York City will be rescheduled. Please check back on this web page for updated information. Suggestions for reforming New York's Medicaid program may also be submitted on the Medicaid Redesign web site at: <http://www.health.ny.gov/medicaidredesign>

http://www.health.ny.gov/press/releases/2011/2011-01-27_cancel_medicaid_redesign_public_forums.htm

PCA Employment Agencies

If your Personal Care Assistant (PCA) Employment Service, assists Self-Pay and CDPAP Consumers in the NYC Metro Area, you can choose to have your agency information included in the PCA Newsletter by completing the [Employment Service Enrollment Form](#).

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