

January 31, 2014

On September 16th the New York State Department of State accepted the Certificate of Incorporation submitted by **Consumer Directed Services, Inc.** under section 404 of the Not-for-Profit Law. A certificate that included the following statement:

To insure that the corporation remains focused on the empowerment of the people being served, as the service population grows, the corporation will expand the Board of Director Membership to insure that a majority of its seats are held by people with disabilities.

To assist Consumers with the problem of finding new Personal Care Assistants, [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.consumerdirectedservices.com) created a FREE Employment Information Bridge between Consumers and PCA Candidates.

- [Consumers / Advocates](#)

- To receive a copy of the weekly Newsletter, a Consumer or Advocate need only send me an email to elitcher@consumerdirectedservices.com and include your name and the text **Newsletter Request**.
- To search for a New Personal Assistant go to the [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.consumerdirectedservices.com) website and complete the form at the following link [Consumer / Advocate - Search for a PCA Candidate](#). When your information is received it will be distributed to all of the PCA Candidates enrolled in the database and a variety of other Employment Resources.

- [Personal Care Assistant \(PCA\) Candidates](#)

To include your information in the Newsletter and Database, go to the [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.consumerdirectedservices.com) website and complete the form at the following link: [Look for a PCA Job \(FREE\) - New York City Metro](#).

Previously distributed Newsletters (**from January 12, 2011 to present**) have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.consumerdirectedservices.com) home page. Finally, if you have any questions, comments, or recommendations about this service, or should you wish to remove your address from this list, please contact send an email to elitcher@consumerdirectedservices.com.

Best Regards, Ed Litcher

Notes

Consumers Wanted: For an Employment Information Bridge to work it requires traffic to flow in both directions. If you are in a Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program, you will eventually need to find a new Home Care Worker. And up to now you may have relied upon Friends, Family, an Agency or you may have chosen to put your own advertisement on the Internet (See the list of Internet resources on the PCA Employment Agency page of this newsletter). Therefore, to help you find the PCA Candidate of your choice, I urge you, to do everything you ordinarily do, to consider an Internet resource and to try www.ConsumerDirectedServices.com. Finally, if you try Consumer Directed Services, please spread the word. Tell your friends and associates about this **FREE** service.

Consumers Searching

Should you require additional information
Please Contact the Consumer Directly.

(barbek77@gmail.com) on Saturday, January 25, 2014 at 10:52:08

Consumer: Barbara Kesten
Address1: 2257 86th Street, Brooklyn NY11214
Phone: 917 817 2033
Consumer Age: Older than 70
Consumer Gender: Female
Payroll Method: Agency
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health
Candidate Experience: Seniors,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,
Description of Languages: English, Polish
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female
Required Documentation: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,,
Recommendations
Hours: 10 Days: 2 Start Time: 9:30 am
Description of Schedule: Saturday and Sunday maybe during the week also
Pay Per Hour: 11.10
Comments: should be very clean, sensitive, caring, have small dog, patient, upbeat
personality

(carenpot@juno.com) on Friday, January 17, 2014 at 20:45:07

Consumer: Caren Potoker
Address1: 140 LAWRENCE AVE APT 2K
Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70
Consumer Gender: Female
Payroll Method: Agency
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female
Required Documentation: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,,
Recommendations
Hours: 5/6 Days: 3/4
Pay Per Hour: \$10
Comments: On time, trust worthy and mature

Kevin Ruse on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at 20:19:27

Consumer: Kevin Ruse
Address3: Medford, NY
Phone: 408 439 5368
Consumer Age: Older than 70
Consumer Gender: Female
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health
Candidate Experience: Seniors,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female
Required Documentation: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,,
Recommendations
Hours: 9-6 Days: 6 Start Time: 9 am
Description of Schedule: Light laundry, food preparation, bathroom assistant
Pay Per Hour: 13.00 +

Consumers please submit your information using the following link:

[Consumer / Advocate - Search for a PCA Candidate](#)

PCA Candidates

Consumer Directed Services is not an Agency and makes no representation (positive or negative) regarding the appropriateness of any PCA Candidate, or the terms and conditions of any employment relationship. All employment and payment decisions are the exclusive responsibility of the Consumer.

Dear Personal Care Assistant Candidate,

*I would like to thank you for your participation in Consumer Directed Services. If you submitted your **more than one year ago**, please complete and submit a new [Personal Assistant Enrollment Form](#). When the updated information is received, your new profile will be added to the next newsletter. Again thank you for your participation.*

(Blaezrosario@yahoo.com) on Thursday, January 30, 2014 at 14:28:48

Personal Assistant Candidate: Sloane Harris

Address1: 65 Moriches Middle Island Road

Phone: 631-579-5700

Best Time: Any time

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: Yes

Years Employed with a Consumer/Surrogate: 1 year

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): South Shore home health care

Experience: Young Adults,, Seniors,, Quadriplegia,, Amputation,, Ventilators,,

Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Other Equipment,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,,

Visual / Auditory Impairments,

Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,,

Recommendations

Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Home Health Aid,, Driver's License,

Hours per Week: 60

Days per Week: 5

Days I Would Like to Work: Mon-Fri

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: No

Target Salary Per Hour: 15.12ri

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: No

Target Salary Per Hour: 15.12

risiensusan@yahoo.com on Monday, January 27, 2014 at 19:40:27

Personal Assistant Candidate: Susan Risien

Address1: new jersey

Phone: 6317642037

Best Time: any

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: Yes

Years Employed with a Consumer/Surrogate: 5

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): south shore home

Experience: Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Ventilators,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,,
Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Special Diets,

Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,

Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Home Health Aid,, Driver's License,

Description of Other Certificate/License: CNA

Hours per Week: 50

Target Salary Per Hour: 13.00

thankyou3@yahoo.com on Monday, January 27, 2014 at 18:57:00

Personal Assistant Candidate: Emma Tucker

Address1: 3030 Surf AV APT8g

Address2: Brooklyn NY 11224

Phone: 646 498 0420

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes

Years Employed with a Consumer/Surrogate: few months

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): Concept

Experience: Children,, Teens,, Young Adults,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,,

Amputation,, Ventilators,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Other Equipment,, Mental Impairments
/ Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,, Special Diets,

Description of Special Diets: low salt

Description of Languages: English

Description of Other: oxygen

Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,,
Recommendations

Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,, Driver's License,

Hours per Week: open

Days per Week: 7

Preferred Start Time: open

Days I Would Like to Work: open

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes

Target Salary Per Hour: open

Target Salary Per Day: open

Target Salary Per Week: open

Comments: IM HERE TO HELP U HANDLE YOUR NEEDS I HAVE BEEN A HOME
HEALTH AID FOR 14 YEARS AND ALWAYS LOOKING TO LEARN NEW WAYS
OF LIFE AND SKILL IM VERY OPEN MINDED AND WILLING TO LEARN

Ahmdjabir@gmail.com on Monday, January 27, 2014 at 13:58:07

Personal Assistant Candidate: Ahmed b al Naqeeb

Address1: 58-09,waldronstreet,corona

Address2: My 11368

Phone: 7187903110

Gender: Male

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: No

Experience: Seniors,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,

Description of Languages: English, Urdu, Punjabi Arabic Hindi Telugu

Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,,
Recommendations

Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Home Health Aid,, Driver's License,

Hours per Week: 60

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: N/a

Target Salary Per Hour: \$12&up

Comments: HHA, NHTD, HCSS some college

Shabusltna1@gmail.com on Monday, January 27, 2014 at 13:46:03

Personal Assistant Candidate: Shabana Sultana
Address1: 58-09, Waldron Street, Corona NY
Address2: NY 11386
Phone: 347 9251606
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes
Consumer/Surrogate References Available: Yes
Years Employed with a Consumer/Surrogate: 3yrs
Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes
CDPAP Agency Name(s): South shore home health care inc,
Experience: Seniors,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,
Description of Languages: English Hindi Punjabi, Urdu Telugu Arabic
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,,
Recommendations
Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Home Health Aid,, Other,
Description of Other Certificate/License: NHTD, HCSS, CPR, first aide, some college
Hours per Week: 60
Days per Week: 5
Preferred Start Time: 02-12-20
Days I Would Like to Work: Mon-Friday
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: N/a
Target Salary Per Hour: \$12&up
Comments: HHA, NHTD, HCSS CPR first aid some college

cesiae.pena829@yahoo.com on Thursday, January 23, 2014 at 21:23:41

Personal Assistant Candidate: Cesia Pena
Address1: 5 Wyndham rd
Address2: Brentwood NY 11717
Phone: 6315790833
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes
Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No
Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes
CDPAP Agency Name(s): concept of independence

Experience: Seniors,, Quadriplegia,, Amputation,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,

Description of Languages: Spanish, sign language

Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations

Certificate/License: Driver's License,, Other,

Description of Other Certificate/License: 4 years of experience

Hours per Week: 25

Preferred Start Time: 7pm

Days I Would Like to Work: All week

Target Salary Per Hour: 12

(Sgiamma@msn.com) on Thursday, January 23, 2014 at 20:31:50

Personal Assistant Candidate: Susan J Forster-Giammarino

Address1: 25 Windemere Avenue

Address2: 1H

Address3: Staten Island NY 10306

Phone: 917 848 7080

Best Time: PM

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: No

Experience: Children,, Teens,, Young Adults,, Seniors,, Wheelchairs,, Other Equipment,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,, Special Diets,

Description of Special Diets: Low Salt & Diabetic

Documentation Available: Social Security Number,

Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Home Health Aid,, Driver's License,

Days I Would Like to Work: Saturday Sunday M - F

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: N/A

Target Salary Per Hour: 12.00

Articles Related to the CDPAP

Able Newspaper, in its 23rd year, is moving to an online platform. Please help us get the word out, in anyway you can, so that people can read Able online for FREE at www.ablenews.com. So many people depend on Able and we don't want them to miss a single issue. Even when we don't print Able the full issue is online.

Analysis of Governor Cuomo's Proposed SFY 2014 - 15 Budget

The Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Association of New York State (CDPAANYS) represent s fiscal intermediaries and consumers in the state's Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program. We have analyzed Governor Cuomo's proposed budget for the 2014 - 15 State Fiscal Year (SFY) based on its impact on Consumer Directed Personal Assistance, with a focus on how it will impact consumers' ability to access and use the program.

The analysis also takes place with additional criteria in mind. First, Governor Cuomo and the Department of Health filed a State Plan Amendment to implement the Community First Choice Option (CFCO) later in 2013. This amendment to the state plan will allow the State to use Consumer Directed Personal Assistance as the base to draw down an additional six percent in federal matching funds. When all of the services that qualify are taken into account, an aggressive implementation would allow the State to realize a net revenue increase of at least \$90 million.

Second is the unveiling of Governor Cuomo's Olmstead Plan in late 2013. The plan detail s how the State will meet its obligations to allow people with disabilities the right to live in the least restrictive setting. As part of this, we lauded the Governor for his proposal to remove 10,000 individuals from long term nursing home placement over the next five years. We also applauded the decision to save the State considerable money, draw down increased federal matching funds and increase consumer's independence by strengthening the role that Consumer Directed Personal Assistance plays in the managed care system.

While some of the goals from CFCO and the Olmstead Plan will be implemented administratively, we are troubled by how little this budget does to advance either. The State shows a renewed commitment to funding and rebuilding our State's nursing homes while Consumer Directed Personal Assistance, which has faced decreased funding for years, is left untouched. In addition, the failure to take steps to build the infrastructure necessary to fully meet the promise of Community First Choice has resulted in the State sacrificing approximately \$100 million in additional Federal funding.

<http://cdpaanys.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/CDPAANYS-Budget-analysis-FINAL1.pdf>

Local Independent Living Centers

- Bronx Independent Living Services, Inc. (BILS)
4419 Third Ave, #2C, Bronx, NY 10457
TEL [718 515-2800 x 116](tel:7185152800) / TTY [718 515-2803](tel:7185152803) / FAX [718 515-2844](tel:7185152844)
- Brooklyn Center for Independence of the Disabled (BCID)
27 Smith St, #200, Brooklyn, NY 11201
TEL [718 998-3000](tel:7189983000) / TTY [718 998-7406](tel:7189987406) / FAX [718 998-3743](tel:7189983743)
- Center for Independence of the Disabled in NY (CID-NY) (Manhattan)
841 Broadway, #301, New York, NY 10003
TEL [212 674-2300](tel:2126742300) V / TTY [212-674-5619](tel:2126745619) / FAX [212-254-5953](tel:2122545953)
- CID-NY/Queens
137-02A Northern Blvd, Flushing, NY 11354
Phone: [646-442-1520](tel:6464421520) / Sorenson VP [866-948-1064](tel:8669481064) / TTY [718-886-0427](tel:7188860427) / Fax 718-886-0428
- Harlem Independent Living Center (HILC) (Manhattan)
289 St. Nicholas Ave, #21 Lower Level, New York, NY 10027
TEL 212-222-7122 / Sorenson VP 646-755-3092 / Relay 866-326-5876 / FAX 212-222-7199
info@hilc.org
- Staten Island Center for Independent Living (SIILC)
470 Castleton Ave, Staten Island, NY 10301
TEL 718-720-9016 / TTY 718-720-9870 / FAX 718-720-9664
- Long Island Center for Independent Living (LICIL) (Nassau Co)
3601 Hempstead Turnpike, #208, Levittown, NY 11756
TEL 516-796-0144 / TEL (Español) 516-796-6176 / TTY 516-796-0135 / FAX 516-796-0529 licil@aol.com
- Self Initiated Living Options, Inc. (SILO) (Suffolk Co)
2111 Lakeland Ave, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779
TEL (31-880-7929 / TTY 631-654-8076 / FAX 631-946-6377
contact@siloinc.org
- Westchester Independent Living Center (WILC) (Westchester/White Plains)
200 Hamilton Ave, White Plains, NY 10601
TEL 914-682-3926 / TTY 914-682-0926 / Sorenson Video Phone 866-933 5390 / FAX 914-682-8518
- Westchester Disabled on the Move, Inc. (WDOM) Westchester/Yonkers)
984 No. Broadway, #L-10, Yonkers, NY 10701
TEL 914-968-4717 V & TTY / FAX 914-968-6137

PCA Employment Agencies

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

Bronxwork Inc, Kedon Wilson
391 E 149th St, Bronx, NY 10455
kwilson@bronxworks.org
(718) 993-8880 ext. 237

Center For Family Life Employment, Maria Ferreira
443 39th St, Brooklyn, New York 11232
mferreira@cflsp.org
718-633-4823

El Barrio's Operation Fight, Gustavo Rosado
413 E 120th St # 403 New York, NY 10035-3602
ebobf413@aol.com
212-410-7900

Fifth Avenue Committee, Aaron Shiffman
621 DeGraw Street, Brooklyn, New York 11217
ashiffman@fifthave.org
718-237-2017

Goldenhearts Elderly Care Services, Geanette Browder
244 5th Avenue, suite G256 New York, NY 10001
contact@GoldenElderlyCare.org
Phone: (866) 531-4620

Kingsborough Comm. College, Marisa Joseph
2001 Oriental Blvd, Brooklyn, NY 11235
marisa.joseph@kbcc.cuny.edu
718-368-5563

Konedu Home Care, LLC, Carie Jones Smith
140 Captain Thomas Blvd West Haven, CT 06516
helpingfamilies@koneduhomecare.com
Phone: [800 418-3299](tel:8004183299)

Mercy Center, Mary Ellen Gianino
377 East 145th Street, Bronx NY 10454-1006
meg@mercycenterbronx.org
(718) 993-2789

Reliable Homecare Solutions LLC
Contact: Reshmi Maharaj, Director
104-28 117 St, 2E, Richmond Hill New York 11419
917 378 5769
caresolutions09100@gmail.com

New York City College of Technology
NYC Technical College Placement Office
300 Jay St, Brooklyn, NY 11201
employmentsvc@citytech.cuny.edu
(718) 260-5050

Northern Manhattan Improvement Corp
Evan Hess
76 Wadsworth Ave, New York, NY 10033
evanhess@nmic.org
212-822-8300

Our Planet Management Institute, Lisa Ying
116 John Street, #200, New York, NY 10038
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