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Consumer Directed Services offers this FREE Newsletter and the FREE Service to Consumers to assist Consumers with the problem of finding new Personal Care Assistants.

Consumers / Advocates To receive a Newsletter, a Consumer or Advocate need only send me an email to elitcher@consumerdirectedservices.com and include 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 or Request a Newsletter](#). When your information is received it will be distributed to all of the Candidates and the other email Database 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](#).

Archives Also, to insure that this Newsletter will be available to as many Consumers / Advocates as possible, previously distributed Newsletters (**from January 12, 2011 to present**) have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.consumerdirectedservices.com) home page.

349 Personal Assistant Candidates have been enrolled in the Consumer Directed Services database, as of the above date. Finally, if you have any questions, comments, or recommendations about this service, or should you choose to remove your address from this list, please contact me at the above email address. Best Regards, Ed Litcher

Notes

[PODCAST: Steve Edelstein on the Companionship Exemption](#)

Posted on 08 March 2012. Tags: [Fair Labor Standards Act](#), [FLSA](#), [home care workers](#), [wages](#)

SUMMARY: Steve Edelstein, PHI national policy director, discusses efforts to extend minimum wage and overtime protections to home care workers and the expected benefits to continuity and quality of care.

[download podcast](#) (mp3) Recorded: March 7, 2012 Duration: 06:25 File Size: 5.88 MB
<http://phinational.org/archives/podcast-steve-edelstein-on-the-companionship-exemption/>

PCA Candidates

Sorry – No new Personal Assistant Candidates added their information to the email database this week.

Consumer - To send an email the currently enrolled 349 Personal Assistant Candidates please go to the [Consumer Directed Services](#) website and complete the form at the following link [Consumer / Advocate - Search for a PCA Candidate or Request a Newsletter](#).

Personal Assistant Candidate - To add your information to the next Newsletter and Database, go to the [Consumer Directed Services](#) website and complete the form at the following link: [Look for a PCA Job \(FREE\) - New York City Metro](#).

Reminder: Consumer Directed Services makes no representation (positive or negative) regarding the appropriateness of any PCA Candidate the Consumer may consider. Therefore, a Consumer’s consideration of any of the PCA Candidates listed above or any of the Candidates referred by a PCA Employment Service does not in any way reduce or modify the Consumer’s exclusive responsibility to manage the PCA evaluation and employment process.

Articles Related to the CDPAP

Medicaid Redesign Team (MRT) #90 Risk and Opportunity by Service Line

The Medicaid Redesign Team (MRT) Proposal #90, mandates enrollment of Medicaid recipients who need more than 120 days of community based long term care services into an managed long term care plans (MLTCP) or a similar care coordination model (CCM), starting April 1, 2012. Version Date: 2/23/12

http://resources.leadingagency.org/nyahsa_org/swf_doc_host.cfm?rrp=/nyahsa_org/policy_communications/community_services/n00005418.swf

SERVICE	RISKS/THREATS	OPPORTUNITIES	ACTION PLAN
Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) BEGINS SEPTEMBER 2012 FOR NEW YORK AND BRONX COUNTIES SEE APPENDIX FOR STATEWIDE IMPLEMENTATION PHASE I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autonomy of the consumer being eroded • Individuals with the most serious disability might have hours reduced or be placed on waiting list as a result of a capitated payment model 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop contracting procedures with MLTC/CCM • Draft regulatory changes, if necessary, for CDPAP in MLTC/CCM

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](#).

Fifth Avenue Committee
Aaron Shiffman
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Northern Manhattan Improvement Corp
Alba Silva
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Queens Community House
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YWCA of NYC
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Center For Family Life Employment
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Eugenio María de Hostos Community College
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El Barrio's Operation Fight
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Bronxwork Inc Kedon Wilson
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Our Planet Management Institute
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Mercy Center
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377 East 145th Street, Bronx NY 10454-1006
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New York City College of Technology
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