

March 22, 2013

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](#). As of the above date, **574** Personal Assistant Candidates have already been enrolled.

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many Consumers / Advocates as possible, previously distributed Newsletters (**from January 12, 2011 to present**) have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.ConsumerDirectedServices.com) home page. 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.

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.

(kashimahooper10@gmail.com) on Monday, March 18, 2013 at 13:54:33

Personal Assistant Candidate: kashima hooper
Address1: 764 1/2 eastern ave
Phone: 518 881-6161
Best Time: anytime
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health
Experience: Children,, Young Adults,, Seniors,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,
Description of Languages: english
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations
Hours per Week: 40
Days per Week: 5
Preferred Start Time: 9-5
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes

(christorres85@hotmail.com) on Saturday, March 16, 2013 at 09:53:25

Personal Assistant Candidate: Christina Torres
Address1: 691 fdr drive
Address2: New York, N.Y. 10009
Phone: 3473803574
Best Time: anytime
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health
Experience: Children,, Young Adults,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Hemiplegia,,
Amputation,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual /
Auditory Impairments,, Special Diets,, Languages, Other,

Description of Special Diets: low sodium, vegetarian, vegan

Description of Languages: English/Spanish

Description of Other: SCIP,CPR/AED for infants, children & adults

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

Hours per Week: open

Days per Week: 5

Preferred Start Time: after4pm

Days I Would Like to Work: Monday-Friday

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

Target Salary Per Hour: open

Target Salary Per Day: open

Target Salary Per Week: open

Comments: I have been in the direct care field for almost five years. I currently work at a day program but have worked in group residences and as a personal care assistant. I speak, read and write both English and Spanish. I have been certified in scip techniques and in CPR/AED.

nicole.stewart366@gmail.com on Saturday, March 16, 2013 at 05:38:51

Personal Assistant Candidate: Nicole stewart

Address1: bronx ny

Phone: 718-652-1703

Best Time: any

Gender: Female

Description of Other Type of Position: personal care-childcare

Experience: Children,, Teens,, Young Adults,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Ventilators,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Special Diets,

Description of Special Diets: npo,diabetic,kosher,etc..

Description of Languages: english

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

Hours per Week: 60

Days per Week: 7

Preferred Start Time: asap

Days I Would Like to Work: m--sun

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

Target Salary Per Hour: 13-20\$

Target Salary Per Day: hour

Comments: I am a well experienced, nurse aid with references and qualifications, please consider me for a position where I can show my skill. thank you.

Articles Related to the CDPAP

Disabled Community Worried About Impact of New State Budget

By Ed Reilly - Mar 21, 2013 at 11:06 AM EDT

BUFFALO, N.Y. (WKBW) - The Consumer Directed Personal Assistance program helps severely ill and physically disabled individuals across the state and is also paid for by Medicaid. But as state lawmakers look to control Medicaid costs, it is feared this program could see a drastic policy change.

"I think they're very worried," said Steve Truesdale of Buffalo, a community advocate with cerebral palsy.

Truesdale is one of tens of thousands of people statewide who need this program in order to live independently.

"So I have a home-care aid who comes in and does things like tie my shoes and help me on with my clothes," said Truesdale.

Also known as CDPA, the personal assistance program allows individuals to personally select who will help them.

"I hire the person who is coming to my home and that person answers to me as his supervisor, not some faceless agency," he said.

Under the current rules, disputes over changes to the assistance program are ruled on by a Medicaid hearing officer. And while the appeal is underway, Medicaid has to continue paying for the service. Advocates worry the new budget will change that policy, so Medicaid can stop paying for disputed services during an appeal process.

"Without home healthcare, the next step for me is hospitalization or institutionalization," said Truesdale.

And the cost will be much higher for taxpayers than CDPA, which averages about \$25,000 per year per individual.

"It costs \$98,000 per year in a nursing home," said Todd Vaarwerk of WNY Independent Living, Inc. "So you subtract those numbers and you are easily saving \$75,000 per year per person."

The disabled community is now raising the red flag and pleading with lawmakers to make sure the CDPA program doesn't become a casualty of the budget process.

"People who don't realize the important of these will be making the decisions," said Truesdale.

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](#).

Blessed Healthcare Staffing Agency, Tissha Thomas
1 Belvedere Ave, Suite A, Farmingdale, NY 11735
tithomas@bhcsa.com
(631) 390-8646

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@koneduhomework.com
Phone: 800 418-3299

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
caresolutions09100@gmail.com
917 378 5769
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
lisa@opmi.org, 212-269-4000

Supreme Aid Home Care, LLC
Contact: Anna Basel - Owner
37-53, 90th St, Suite 16 Jackson Heights, NY, 11372
info@supremeaidhomecare.com 347-421-2045

YWCA of NYC, Anne Alfred
50 Broadway, New York, NY 10004
aalfred@ywcanyc.org
718-723-6170

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<http://www.classifiedads.com/post.php>