

April 18, 2014

On September 16<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](#) 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](#) 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Previously distributed Newsletters (**from January 12, 2011 to present**) have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](#) home page.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](mailto: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](http://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.

**LYUDMILA on Wednesday, April 16, 2014 at 10:55:02**

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Consumer: LYUDMILA

Address1: BROOKLYN

**Phone: 718-376-3735**

Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Paraplegia,, Wheelchairs,

Description of Languages: Russian, Polish, Ukraine, Belarusian, Bulgarian

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 12

Days: 2-4

Start Time: 8am /8pm

Pay Per Hour: 10

Comments: IF YOU DO NOT SPEAK ANY OF ABOVE LANGUAGES,  
PLEASE DON'T CALL.

**J. Dare on Monday, March 31, 2014 at 11:30:23**

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Consumer: J. Dare  
Address1: Medford, NY  
**Phone: 631-475-0140**  
Best Time: after 4pm  
Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70  
Consumer Gender: Male  
Type of Candidates: Other Employees  
Description of Other Type of Candidates: CDPAP Personal Assistant  
Candidate Experience: Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Wheelchairs,  
Description of Languages: English  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Social Security Number,  
Hours: 8 Days: 5 Start Time: 4pm  
Description of Schedule: Monday-Friday 4pm- Midnight  
Pay Per Hour: \$13.37

Comments: Looking for someone to fill open position in my team. Candidate must be able to, or willing to learn to do pivot transfers. Must have own vehicle and read and speak English. If you are or ever were a CNA do not apply.

**([makeusfree@yahoo.com](mailto:makeusfree@yahoo.com)) on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at 08:48:02**

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Consumer: Harold Wininger  
Address1: 22 Webster Ave  
Address2: Brooklyn NY  
**Phone: 718-253-7294**  
**Email Authorization: Yes**  
Consumer Age: Older than 70  
Consumer Gender: Male  
Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Description of Other Type of Candidates: G-tube feeding  
Candidate Experience: Other Equipment,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's  
Disease,  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,,  
Recommendations  
Hours: 24  
Days: 7

**[sstern1008@aol.com](mailto:sstern1008@aol.com)** on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 16:36:17

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Consumer: Sharon Stern  
Address 1: 540 Main Street  
**Phone: 212-758-1274**  
Best Time: 4pm-8pm  
**Email Authorization: Yes**  
Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70  
Consumer Gender: Female  
Payroll Method: Agency  
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Description of Other Type of Candidates:  
Candidate Experience: Quadriplegia,, Ventilators,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,,  
Languages  
Description of Languages: English  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,  
Hours: 12  
Days: 4  
Start Time: 8am  
Pay Per Hour: 10-wd/11

**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.*

**[amandasalaslidy@gmail.com](mailto:amandasalaslidy@gmail.com) on Friday, April 18, 2014 at 08:23:32**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Amanda Salas

Address1: New York

Phone: 1-631-630-6979

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 Health

Experience: Teens,, Quadriplegia,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,

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

Certificate/License: Driver's License,

Hours per Week: 20

Target Salary Per Hour: 13

**[azdebski1228@optonline.net](mailto:azdebski1228@optonline.net) on Friday, April 11, 2014 at 15:26:44**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Deborah Zdebski

Address1: 2485 Loft Avenue

Phone: 516-208-5823

Best Time: 10:00 am

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Domestic / Homemaking

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: Yes  
Years Employed with a Consumer/Surrogate: 5 years  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes  
CDPAP Agency Name(s): Metro Health Care  
Experience: Young Adults,, Wheelchairs,, Other,  
Description of Other: Traumatic Brain Injury  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Home Health Aid,, Driver's License,  
Hours per Week: 30  
Days per Week: 3  
Preferred Start Time: 9:am  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: IF Needed  
Target Salary Per Hour: 15.00  
Comments: I've been working 5 years, with a very special young man that I love very dearly.  
I'm very loving, compassionate, reliable, and trustworthy.

## *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](http://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.

### **DISABLED IN ACTION OF METROPOLITAN NEW YORK**

Dues are \$10 to \$25 (as able to afford)

One-year membership spans the calendar year, January-December.

Mail payment to: DIA P.O. Box 30954 New York, NY 10011 -Or-

Todd Kreisler 250 E 60 Street, apt 2C, NY, NY 10022

For information, sign language interpreter

or assistive listening device call: TEL/FAX 718-261-3737 - [www.disabledinaction.org](http://www.disabledinaction.org)

All DIA meetings are open to the public and are wheelchair accessible. We require that all attendees refrain from smoking, wearing any fragrance or carrying anything that beeps, as these are all harmful to some of our members and guests. An assistive listening device is available at meetings. A sign language interpreter is available upon request. Please support our scent-free environment by abstaining from perfume and cologne!

DIA meeting dates for 2013:

Sunday, June 1, 2014    Sunday, September 7, 2014.....Sunday, October 5, 2014

Sunday, November 2, 2014.....Sunday, December 7, 2014 (Holiday Party)

## **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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](#).*

**All American Home Care Agency, Albert Isakov, CEO**  
1113 Avenue J, Brooklyn, NY 11230  
[aisakov@allamericanny.com](mailto:aisakov@allamericanny.com)  
Phone: 718-717-8800

**Bronxwork Inc, Kedon Wilson**  
391 E 149th St, Bronx, NY 10455  
[kwilson@bronxworks.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:ebobf413@aol.com)  
212-410-7900

**Fifth Avenue Committee, Aaron Shiffman**  
621 DeGraw Street, Brooklyn, New York 11217  
[ashiffman@fifthave.org](mailto:ashiffman@fifthave.org)  
718-237-2017

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

**Kingsborough Comm. College, Marisa Joseph**  
2001 Oriental Blvd, Brooklyn, NY 11235  
[marisa.joseph@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto: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](mailto:helpingfamilies@koneduhomecare.com)  
Phone: 800 418-3299

**Mercy Center, Mary Ellen Gianino**  
377 East 145th Street, Bronx NY 10454-1006  
[meg@mercycenterbronx.org](mailto: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](mailto:caresolutions09100@gmail.com)

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

**Northern Manhattan Improvement Corp**  
Evan Hess  
76 Wadsworth Ave, New York, NY 10033  
[evanhess@nmic.org](mailto:evanhess@nmic.org)  
212-822-8300

**Our Planet Management Institute, Lisa Ying**  
116 John Street, #200, New York, NY 10038  
[lisa@opmi.org](mailto:lisa@opmi.org), 212-269-4000

**YWCA of NYC, Anne Alfred**  
50 Broadway, New York, NY 10004  
[aalfred@ywcanyc.org](mailto:aalfred@ywcanyc.org)  
718-723-6170

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