

April 26, 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, **579** 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many Consumers / Advocates as possible, previously distributed Newsletters (**from January 12, 2011 to present**) have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.ConsumerDirectedServices.com) home page.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.

(JEE193@GMAIL.COM) on Friday, April 12, 2013 at 15:11:53

Consumer: JAN ELLIS

Address1: 527 WEST 47TH STREET

Address2: APT 5E

Address3: NEW YORK, NY 10036

Phone: (212) 489-9320

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Candidate Experience: Paraplegia,, Wheelchairs,

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

Required Documentation: Social Security Number,, Recommendations

Hours: 12

Days: 2

Start Time: 8A.M.

Pay Per Hour: \$10

(tnr1173@aol.com) on Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at 17:58:10

Consumer: Trichele Reese

Phone: 917-375-3300

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Wheelchairs,

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 5-12

Days: 4

Start Time: 8am,12pm

Description of Schedule: 12 hr shifts on Thur & Fri Weekend hours vary

Pay Per Hour: 11.00

Comments: I'm looking for someone to work 12 hour shifts from 8am-8pm on Thursday and Friday. Hours vary on Saturday and Sunday. PCA has to register with Concepts of Independence, if not already.

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.

rosannejackson375@yahoo.com on Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at 13:04:29

Personal Assistant Candidate: Rosanne jackson
Address1: 1930 harrison ave 2f bx ny 104
Phone: 917-631-0455
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health
Experience: Young Adults,, Wheelchairs,
Description of Languages: english
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations
Hours per Week: 10
Days per Week: 7
Preferred Start Time: 9am
Days I Would Like to Work: mon tues wed thurs fri
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: no
Target Salary Per Week: 400
Comments: I have experience in child care hha

dopeemahmee.sm@gmail.com on Friday, April 19, 2013 at 23:23:22

Personal Assistant Candidate: Stephanie Moquete
Address1: 2921 tilden ave, apt 10e, brooklyn ny 11226
Phone: 3477211453 Best Time: Anytime
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health
Experience: Young Adults,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Hemiplegia,, Amputation,, Ventilators,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Languages
Description of Languages: English, spanish.
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,
Preferred Start Time: 6am
Days I Would Like to Work: monday through friday
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes
Target Salary Per Day: \$125

Articles Related to the CDPAP

CDPAANYS Heads to Washington, DC to Defend Companionship Exemption

CDPAANYS Executive Director Bryan O'Malley, T.K. Small and Tony Caputo of Concepts of Independence, and Bruce Darling of ADAPT/Center for Disability Rights are on their way to a meeting with the Office of Management and Budget in Washington, D.C. During this meeting they will advocate to not have the Companionship exemption removed from the FSLA, citing the impact of the Department of Labor's regulations on overtime on consumers and personal assistants in New York State.

[Click here for more information and background on the impact of these regulations on DOL Off My Body!](#)

New York State Suspends Enrollment in Managed Long Term Care Plan Amid Fraud Concerns

On Thursday April 25, the Department of Health announced that due to its preliminary investigations in the scandal involving Managed Long Term Care plans using social adult day centers as enrollment centers and providing illegal incentives for people to join, they were suspending VNS Choice's ability to accept new members temporarily.

VNS Choice is one of the largest MLTCs in the state. The admission that they were engaging in fraudulent enrollment to cherry pick healthy consumers is extremely worrisome.

The New York Times published an article yesterday on the matter, entitled "State Suspends Enrollment in Adult Care Plan Amid Fraud Concerns."

[Click here to read the article at the New York Times website.](#)

This scandal highlights why, for reasons other than the integrity of the model, that A) managed long term care companies must not be allowed to serve as fiscal intermediaries (FIs), and B) a state Certification or other process is necessary to ensure accountability and adequacy within the FIs operating within the state.

The new system can prove incredibly effective; however, controls must be in place. While the social adult day centers were not directly operated by VNS Choice, the apparent collusion – with social adult day centers promising casino visits and free lunch in return for signing up with particular plans – speaks to the potential for abuse. If MLTCs operate the Fiscal Intermediaries, as many, including VNS Choice, propose to do, the potential for this type of abuse is raised astronomically.

The potential for this abuse, among FIs that would be operated by plans or among unscrupulous FIs that might seek to enter into agreements with plans such as those that were allegedly entered into between the social adult day centers in question and VNS Choice, is even greater given the lack of any certification or licensure from the state. CDPAANYS continues to call for Certification by the state of Fiscal Intermediaries, to ensure that there are adequate standards in place to, among other things, protect against this type of fraud. Such standards will also allow the state hold FIs accountable, because they will have the ability to pull the Certification.

It appears that VNS Choice and the centers in question acted poorly here. We must act in other areas to prevent such abuses before they occur.

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

Griswold Home Care, Kathleen Boziwick

CDPAP Staffing Resource for Self-Pay Consumers

146 West 95th Street, Suite 1B New York, NY 10025

kathleen.boziwick@griswoldhomecare.com

Phone: 212-222-0500

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

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

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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