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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Previously distributed Newsletters (**from January 12, 2011 to present**) have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](#) home page.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.

[\(jee193@gmail.com\)](mailto:jee193@gmail.com) on Friday, April 25, 2014 at 12:15:44

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Consumer: Jan Ellis  
Address1: 527 West 47th Street, #5E  
Address2: New York, NY 10036  
**Phone: (212) 489-9320**  
Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50  
Consumer Gender: Female  
Payroll Method: Agency  
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Candidate Experience: Paraplegia,, Wheelchairs,  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Social Security Number,, Recommendations  
Hours: 12 Days: Saturday and Sunday  
Start Time: 8 a.m.  
Pay Per Hour: 11.10

**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.

## **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.*

**[biancarodriguez892@gmail.com](mailto:biancarodriguez892@gmail.com)** on Wednesday, April 30, 2014 at 09:49:25

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Bianca Rodriguez  
Address1: 1274 Decatur Street Apt 1A  
Phone: 3475461550 Best Time: any time  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Experience: Children,  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,  
Days I Would Like to Work: everyday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes

**[Azdesbki1228@optonline.net](mailto:Azdesbki1228@optonline.net)** on Monday, April 28, 2014 at 14:48:08

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Deborah Zeebski  
Address1: 2485 Loft Avenue, Baldwin, NY  
Phone: 516-208-5823 Best Time: 10:00 AM  
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 years  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes  
CDPAP Agency Name(s): Metro Health Care  
Experience: Young Adults,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,,  
Visual / Auditory Impairments,  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Other,  
Description of Other Certificate/License: Been working as a CDPAP personal care aid  
Hours per Week: 40 Days per Week: 6 Preferred Start Time: 10:00 AM  
Days I Would Like to Work: MON,TUES,WED, THURS, FRI, SAT  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: YES/ not everyday  
Target Salary Per Hour: 15.00  
Comments: very compassionate, reliable, and trustworthy, also assisted in minor physical  
therapy and speech therapy, I've had 5 years experience, very hard worker.

**[daniellehogan1122@gmail.com](mailto:daniellehogan1122@gmail.com)** on Friday, April 25, 2014 at 20:23:31

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Danielle Higgins  
Address1: 217-27 131 Avenue, Springfield Gardens, NY

Phone: 646-750-3381            Best Time: 7a-11pm  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Description of Other Type of Position: companion, live in aide  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: No  
Experience: Children,, Teens,, Young Adults,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,,  
Amputation,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual /  
Auditory Impairments,, Special Diets,  
Description of Special Diets: low sodium, liquid or puree  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,  
Hours per Week: 40+  
Days per Week: 7  
Preferred Start Time: anytime  
Days I Would Like to Work: 7days a week  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes  
Target Salary Per Hour: 10        Target Salary Per Day: 130  
Comments: I have 3 + years experience with excellent references .

**([swanholder@gmail.com](mailto:swanholder@gmail.com)) on Friday, April 25, 2014 at 16:35:18**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Swan Rodriguez  
Address1: 400 convent ave  
Phone: 347-792-1594  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: No  
Experience: Children,, Young Adults,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Amputation,, Wheelchairs,, Other  
Equipment,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,,  
Special Diets,  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Home Health Aid,, Driver's License,  
Hours per Week: 40  
Days per Week: 12  
Preferred Start Time: any  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes  
Target Salary Per Hour: 10.00  
OBJECTIVE: To obtain a challenging position that will utilize my skills.

EDUCATION: Adolescent Employment and Education Program 2005 2006 - Vocational Training

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Adolescent Employment and Education Program 2005 -2005 - Clerical Assistant

South Brooklyn Community Center 1999 – 2005 – Volunteer

Star Bright Agency 2003 – 2003 - CAN / HHA

All Metro Health Care 2002 – 2002 - CAN / HHA

SKILLS: Proficient in MS Word and the Internet; works well with others, and organized

## *Articles Related to the CDPAP*

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

MEETING Sunday, MAY 4, 2014 - 1:30-4:00 PM at Selis Manor, 1st Floor Auditorium  
135 West 23rd Street (bet. 6th and 7th Ave)

#### TOPIC

Rebecca Rodgers, Disability Right Advocates

From Complaints to Law Suits: Soliciting information regarding Inaccessibility from NYC's  
Disability Community

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)

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#### 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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