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To assist Consumers with the problem of finding new Personal Care Assistants, Consumer Directed Services offers the following Newsletter, which will be published weekly, whenever the names of potential Personal Assistants, new PCA Employment Agencies, or CDPAP related articles become available. If you have any questions, comments or recommendations, please contact me at elitcher@consumerdirectedservices.com, also should you choose to remove your address from this list, please send an email to the above address.

Reminder: to receive this Newsletter, a Consumer or Advocate need only complete the top portion of the [Consumer - Enrollment Form](#). Should a new or previously enrolled Consumer complete both portions of this form, Consumer Directed Services will automatically share their Employment Opportunity information with the list of PCA Employment Agencies.

Finally, to insure that this Newsletter will be available to as many Consumers / Advocates as possible, previously distributed Newsletters have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](#) home page.

Best Regards, Ed Litcher

PCA Candidates

To add a Personal Care Assistant (PCA) Candidate, please complete and submit the [PCA Candidate Enrollment Form](#). As soon as your information is received it will be added to the next Newsletter. To consider the employment of a PCA Candidate, please contact the Candidate directly.

Wednesday, May 4, 2011 at 20:19:46

Personal Assistant Candidate: Jacqueline Correa - msjcorrea@yahoo.com

Address1: 234 Lefferts Ave, Apt #4L, Brooklyn, NY 11225

Phone: [718-314-2855](tel:718-314-2855)

Experience: Domestic/Homemaking,, Personal Care / Home Health,, Children,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Wheelchairs,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Languages

Languages: English

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

Hours: open Days: open Start Time: open

Comments: I have over 4 years of experience in PCA/HHA services. I'm strong minded and hard working. I feel I am very qualified for any position available. I am HHA certified in the state of FL and am CPR certified for all ages. I look forward to hearing from you, thank you and enjoy your day.

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

Guest essay: Direction of medical program changes encouraging By Bryan O'Malley Messenger Post Posted Apr 30, 2011 @ 04:14 PM Canandaigua, N.Y. — Two recent pieces in your editorial pages ("NY Medicaid changes mean higher costs, fewer freedoms." April 10, and "Merging medical programs would cost more," April 21) have expressed fear about the merging of the Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) with Managed Long Term Care (MLTC). The Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Association of New York State (CDPAANYS) is the statewide group representing those using CDPAP. Because of this, we have been paying close attention to Gov. Andrew Cuomo's agenda around CDPAP and both MLTC and managed care.

<http://www.irondequoitpost.com/highlight/x84058135/Guest-essay-Direction-of-medical-program-changes-encouraging>

Max and Jim - Leaders in a Movement which keeps on moving. *Independent Living Awareness Day - April 20th, 2011* Max Starkloff and Jim Tuscher were great men. At the local, state and national levels each contributed greatly to the struggle of people with disabilities for civil rights and to remove structural and attitudinal barriers in our society. Max established the first Center for Independent Living in Missouri and one of the first in the country. Jim worked tirelessly to establish a personal care attendant program (now called Consumer Directed Services or CDS) where people with disabilities would have the ability to self-direct their own personal care services.

www.paraquad.org/blog/sites/.../Jim%20and%20Max.pdf

Disability-rights group protests at Ryan's office over Medicaid By Debbie Siegelbaum - 05/03/11 02:13 PM ET Several hundred demonstrators with disabilities gathered outside Rep. Paul Ryan's (R-Wis.) office Tuesday to protest his budget's proposed reduction in Medicaid funding. Nearly 300 members of the national disability-rights group ADAPT — many in wheelchairs — initially lined up outside the Longworth building, and a dozen congregated inside the House Budget chairman's second-floor office. By late afternoon, Capitol Police had arrested about 10.

<http://thehill.com/homenews/house/158955-disability-rights-group-protests-at-ryans-office-over-medicaid-funding>

CDPAANYS is Hiring Four Regional Outreach Education Specialists: The Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Association of New York State (CDPAANYS) is seeking four (4) Regional Outreach and Education Specialists (ROES) for a statewide grant funded initiative working to increase awareness of the Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) for seniors and people with disabilities in New York State. The positions will be based around the state, with one in Western New York (Buffalo/Rochester), Central New York (Binghamton), the Hudson Valley and Long Island/Westchester. <http://www.williamlaneassociates.com/medicaid>

Facebook: Self-Direction Model/Consumer Directed Services: Description: Page dedicated to promoting, explaining and supporting the self-directed care model where a Medicaid participant hires, trains, supervises and if necessary fires their personal care attendant.

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Self-Direction-ModelConsumer-Directed-Services/149146751785144?sk=info>

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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ashiffman@fifthave.org
718-237-2017

Northern Manhattan Improvement Corp
Alba Silva
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Queens Community House
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108-25 62nd Drive, Forest Hills, NY 11375
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718-898-7461 x 19

YWCA of NYC
Anne Alfred
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718-723-6170

Center For Family Life Employment
Denise Serrato
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dserrato@cflsp.org
718-633-4823

Eugenio María de Hostos Community College
Greg Ventura
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El Barrio's Operation Fight
Gustavo Rosado
413 E 120th St # 403 New York, NY 10035-3602
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212-410-7900

Bronxwork Inc Kedon Wilson
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(718) 993-8880 ext. 237

Brooklyn Bureau of Community Service
Leslie Klein
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Our Planet Management Institute
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marisa.joseph@kbcc.cuny.edu
718-368-5563

Mercy Center
Mary Ellen Gianino
377 East 145th Street, Bronx NY 10454-1006
meg@mercycenterbronx.org
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New York City College of Technology
NYC Technical College Placement Office
300 Jay St, Brooklyn, NY 11201
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Blessed Healthcare Staffing Agency
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