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Newsletter will be available to as many Consumers / Advocates as possible, previously distributed Newsletters have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](#) home page.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

Notes

Conference Empowers Women with Disabilities: From Within - Hosted by United Spinal and Independence Care System. United Spinal Association and Independence Care System (ICS), are co-hosting the second annual From Within conference to improve the lives, health, and well-being of women with disabilities. The conference titled From Within - A Discussion About Self-Esteem, Self-Awareness, & Self-Empowerment for Women with Disabilities – an event for women living with spinal cord injuries and disorders, will include a variety of workshops to enable this community to overcome many common obstacles toward a better quality of life.

This year's keynote speaker is Judy Heumann, special advisor for International Disability Rights at the U.S. Department of State. Heumann's extensive work in advocacy has led to key human rights legislation and policies that have helped empower hundreds of thousands of women with disabilities across the country.

The conference is free and open to the public. Advance registration recommended.

Continental breakfast and lunch will also be provided.

Saturday, May 14th from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
ICS Brooklyn Center
25 Elm Place-5th Floor (Btw. Fulton Mall & Livingston)
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Read more: <http://www.disabled-world.com/news/events/2011/empowering.php#ixzz1MED6BbNa>

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.

Thursday, May 12, 2011 at 23:53:11

Personal Assistant Candidate: Tracey Pierre - TraceyPierre@yahoo.com

Address1: 552 Parkside avenue brooklyn NY 11226

Phone: 3476272623

Experience: Domestic/Homemaking,, Personal Care / Home Health,, Children,, Young Adults,

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

Hours: 8 Days: 45 Start Time: anytime

Monday, May 9, 2011 at 18:59:03

Personal Assistant Candidate: Paula Romer - pbml29@yahoo.com

Address1: 6644 Booth St.

Phone: [917 4990142](tel:9174990142)

Experience: Personal Care / Home Health,, Children,, Seniors,, Quadriplegia,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,

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

Hours: 12 Days: 6 Start Time: 8 am

Monday, May 9, 2011 at 12:27:34

Personal Assistant Candidate: yanique garth - nique417@aim.com

Address1: 142-28 122nd ave jamaica,ny 11436

Phone: [718-607-5418](tel:718-607-5418)

Experience: Children,, Other Experience

Other Experience: autistic children

Documentation: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,

Hours: 40 Days: 6 Start Time: 8am

Monday, May 9, 2011 at 10:19:44

Personal Assistant Candidate: Beverley Thompson-Morris - bevtmorris@aol.com

Address1: 194-13 111 Road St Albans, NY 11412

Phone: [917 704 3674](tel:9177043674)

Experience: Personal Care / Home Health,, Children,, Seniors,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Special Diets,

Special Diets: Liquid, semi solid

Languages: English

Hours: 6-12

Days: 5

Start Time: 8am

Saturday, May 7, 2011 at 11:38:38

Personal Assistant Candidate: Maria Naro-A - marianaro58@live.com

Address1: 7315 Brooklyn, NY 11209

Phone: [347-355-4582](tel:347-355-4582)

Experience: Domestic/Homemaking,, Personal Care / Home Health,, Seniors,

Documentation: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,

Hours: 8

Days: 2

Start Time: 9 am

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

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.

CDPAANYS is a statewide nonprofit membership organization that works to support Consumer-Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) contractors and users in all counties of New York State, providing assistance including, but not limited to: advocacy, systems change, promotion of consumer control and self determination.

Responsibilities

The Regional Outreach and Education Specialist works under the direction of the CDPAANYS Executive Director and reports to the Project Coordinator. Responsibilities include:

- Working closely with local member organizations and the aging services community to implement education programs throughout the region
- Conduct stakeholder meetings and training events using initiative training materials; assist in the development of project educational and training materials
- Facilitate relationships among member organizations, seniors and people with disabilities and their family members, and relevant community stakeholders and local and state government
- Assist in the planning and presentation of regional and statewide training events
- Track all program activities in weekly and monthly reports
- This position requires significant, weekly travel throughout region, as well as some statewide travel

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree strongly preferred.
- At least two years professional experience with the consumer directed personal assistance program, community organizing, long term care, and/or disability rights strongly preferred.
- Demonstrated written, verbal, public speaking and interpersonal communication skills.
- Excellent organizational and computer skills;
- Energetic self-starter with the ability to work in multiple locations without direct oversight and ability to travel extensively in the region.
- Fluency in Spanish preferred.
- Knowledge of state and local policies, practices, laws and issues impacting seniors and people with disabilities

CDPAANYS offers a competitive salary based on experience and a generous benefit package.

Please e-mail a cover letter and resume to Bryan O'Malley at bryan@cdpaanys.org with the subject line "Regional Outreach Education Specialist." No phone calls please.

CDPAANYS is an Equal-Opportunity Employer. People with disabilities, women and minorities committed to ensuring all individuals' right to live in the least restrictive setting are strongly encouraged to apply.

<http://www.williamlaneassociates.com/medicaid>

Look for a Home Care (CDPAP) Job (Free) (New York City Metro) Date: 2011-05-05, 4:39PM EDT
- Visit www.consumerdirectedservices.com - add your information to the FREE weekly email Newsletter. Go to the link - (LOOK FOR A PCA JOB (FREE) - NEW YORK CITY METRO) - Complete the Form and Submit. The Newsletter is submitted to hundreds of Home Care Consumers and Advocates. Consumers are People with Disabilities or Seniors who independently hire, train and supervise the Home Care Worker (Personal Care Assistant - PCA) of their choice.
<http://newyork.craigslist.org/mnh/hea/2364587466.html>

Consumer Directed Personal Assistance - P. Leonard, Part 1

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wfHaGchScP4>

Consumer Directed Personal Assistance - P. Leonard - Part 2

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4aPMdC2JEQ>

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
621 DeGraw Street, Brooklyn, New York 11217
ashiffman@fifthave.org
718-237-2017

Northern Manhattan Improvement Corp
Alba Silva
76 Wadsworth Ave, New York, NY 10033
albasilva@nimic.org
212-822-8300

Queens Community House
Ana Lopez-Betancourt
108-25 62nd Drive, Forest Hills, NY 11375
abetancourt@queenscommunityhouse.org
718-898-7461 x 19

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

Center For Family Life Employment
Denise Serrato
443 39th St, Brooklyn, New York 11232
dserrato@cflsp.org
718-633-4823

Eugenio María de Hostos Community College
Greg Ventura
500 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York 10451
gventura@hostos.cuny.edu
(718) 518-4444

El Barrio's Operation Fight
Gustavo Rosado
413 E 120th St # 403 New York, NY 10035-3602
ebobf413@aol.com
212-410-7900

Bronxwork Inc Kedon Wilson
391 E 149th St, Bronx, NY 10455
kwilson@bronxworks.org
(718) 993-8880 ext. 237

Brooklyn Bureau of Community Service
Leslie Klein
285 Schermerhorn St, Brooklyn, NY 11217
lklein@bbcs.org
718-310-5600

Our Planet Management Institute
Lisa Ying
116 John Street, #200, New York, NY 10038
lisa@opmi.org
212-269-4000

Kingsborough Community College
Marisa Joseph
2001 Oriental Blvd, Brooklyn, NY 11235
marisa.joseph@kbcc.cuny.edu
718-368-5563

Mercy Center
Mary Ellen Gianino
377 East 145th Street, Bronx NY 10454-1006
meg@mercycenterbronx.org
(718) 993-2789

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

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

Konedu Home Care, LLC
Carie Jones Smith
140 Captain Thomas Blvd
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helpingfamilies@koneduhomecare.com
Phone: [800 418-3299](tel:8004183299)
Fax: [888 281-6525](tel:8882816525)
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