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On September 16, 2013 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.*

On November 12, 2015 the United States Internal Revenue Service determined that Consumer Directed Services, Inc. is exempt from Federal Income Tax under Internal Revenue Code **Section 501 (c) (3)**.

To assist Consumers with the problem of finding new Personal Care Assistants, [Consumer Directed Services, Inc.](http://www.consumerdirectedservices.com) created a FREE Employment Information Bridge between Consumers and Personal Care Assistant (PCA) Candidates.

**Consumers / Advocates**

To search for a PCA Candidate complete the form at the following link [Consumer / Advocate - Search for a PCA Candidate](#). When your information is received it will be enrolled in the email database, and posted on the website for a month, distributed to all of the members of the Consumer Directed Services database (Consumers, PCA Candidates, and a variety of other Employment Resources), and published in the Consumer Directed Services Newsletter for a month.

To just add your information to the Consumer Directed Services database, 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**. When your information is received it will be enrolled in the email database and you will begin receiving future issues of the Consumer Directed Services Newsletter and other emails related to the program's goal.

### **Personal Care Assistant (PCA) Candidates**

To include your information in the Newsletter and email database, complete the form at the following link: [Look for a PCA Job \(FREE\) - New York City Metro](#). When your information is received, your information will be published in the Newsletter for a month, and you will begin receiving future issues of the Consumer Directed Services Newsletter and other emails related to the program's goal.

Also, to access our list of Currently Available Jobs, please use the following link: [JOBS](#)

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

## **Consumers Searching**

***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.*

**Caregiver () on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 15:15:49**

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Neighborhood Name: Rego Park - Crescents

City, Town or Borough: Rego Park, Queens

Available Transportation: Subway, Bus, Train, Auto,

E-mail: [akprpjt@gmail.com](mailto:akprpjt@gmail.com)

Consumer Age: Older than 70

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Seniors, Other Equipment, Special Diets,

Description of Special Diets: diabetic

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 24

Days: 2

Start Time: 8 am

Description of Schedule: Overnight weekend 8 am Sat - 8 am Mon.

Comments: You will need to be comfortable providing injections 4 times a day. You will have to register with agency Concepts of Independence and will need to provide documentation to them. This agency will pay your wages directly.

**Andrew Heller () on Monday, May 16, 2016 at 15:30:11**

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Neighborhood Name: Valley Stream

City, Town or Borough: NY

Available Transportation: Bus, Auto,

Phone: 305-903-3051

Best Time: anytime

E-mail: [andrew.heller@yucaroo.com](mailto:andrew.heller@yucaroo.com)

Consumer Age: Older than 70

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Self Pay

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Seniors, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Other Equipment,

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 12

Days: 3

Start Time: 8:00pm

Description of Schedule: overnight position, 3 days per week 12 hours shift 8pm - 8am (some weekend night availability needed)

Pay Per Hour: 15.00

Comments: NOW HIRING

Humble family seeking compassionate, dedicated home health aide for bed bound patient. Join our team of trained, dedicated aides providing outstanding 24\*7 care to bed bound patient in home.

Overnight position needed, 3 days per week 12 hours shift 8pm - 8am (some weekend night availability)

Minimum Requirements

- Non smoker

- High School Graduate

- Comfortable with cats

Qualifications / Experience

- HHA or CNA

- bed bound patient experience

- patient transfer (sliding board and/or hoyer lift)

- diabetic management, blood sugar tests, insulin injections (training available)

- medication management

Other

- light cooking

- light house cleaning

- companionship

**Nandram () on Monday, May 16, 2016 at 07:51:34**

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Neighborhood Name: Mount Vernon NY

Available Transportation: Subway, Bus, Train, Auto,

Phone: 914 699 0373

Best Time: any

Consumer Age: Older than 70

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Seniors, Wheelchairs, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,

Languages

Description of Special Diets: glucerna

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

Required Documentation: Social Security Number,

Days: 3

Start Time: any

Pay Per Day: 3  
Pay Per Week: 39

**Mr. Wheels () on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 18:24:48**

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Neighborhood Name: Suffolk County  
City, Town or Borough: Farmingville, NY  
Phone: 631-816-8687

E-mail: [LILyricist1227@aol.com](mailto:LILyricist1227@aol.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50

Consumer Gender: Male

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Paraplegia, Wheelchairs, Special Diets,

Description of Special Diets: Diabetic and Heart Healthy

Description of Languages: English

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 6-8

Days: 5-7

Start Time: 9:00am

Description of Schedule: A third shift is need for 30-40hrs/wk. A choice of am/pm shift, must work some weekends.

Pay Per Hour: 13.00

Comments: I am looking for a third home health aide to help care for me. I'm a 49yr old disabled man in a wheelchair. Please email me n include resume if you have one. I need help with day to day living, Must be dog friendly, don't mind smoking, Light housekeeping and cooking, Must have car, Experience Not Necessary Will Train. You will get paid by an agency thru Medicaid thru the CDPAP Program, Benefits available.

**T () on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 16:59:19**

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City, Town or Borough: Brooklyn  
Available Transportation: Subway, Bus, Train, Auto,  
Phone: 347 206 6424

E-mail: [joev2119@gmail.com](mailto:joev2119@gmail.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50

Consumer Gender: Male  
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Candidate Experience: Young Adults, Seniors, Paraplegia, Quadriplegia,  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Male  
Required Documentation: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity,  
Comments: if your looking for a full time position or part time....

**Linda () on Monday, May 9, 2016 at 19:04:54**

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Neighborhood Name: Eastchester  
City, Town or Borough: Westchester  
Available Transportation: Bus, Train,  
Phone: 914 589-5201  
Best Time: evening  
E-mail: [linfinviolin@verizon.net](mailto:linfinviolin@verizon.net)  
Email Authorization: Yes  
Consumer Age: Older than 70  
Consumer Gender: Female  
Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Candidate Experience: Seniors, Wheelchairs, Special Diets, Languages  
Description of Special Diets: Diabetic  
Description of Languages: English  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

Required Documentation: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Hours: 24  
Days: 3  
Start Time: 9 am

Description of Schedule: live-in, Friday through Sunday  
Comments: Compensation is through a Medicaid agency for an elderly couple.  
Experience with injections, medicine management and diabetic care.  
Private room, separate bathroom, internet, cable, wide screen TV and food will be provided.

**Dawnitha () on Sunday, May 8, 2016 at 16:33:28**

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Neighborhood Name: Roosevelt Island  
City, Town or Borough: New York. City  
Available Transportation: Tramway, Subway, Bus, Train, Auto,  
Phone: 212 593 1882

Best Time: 8am-8pm  
Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70  
Consumer Gender: Female  
Payroll Method: Agency  
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Candidate Experience: Wheelchairs, Lifters, Visual / Auditory Impairments, Special Diets,  
Languages  
Description of Special Diets: Nono  
Description of Languages: English Only  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Hours: 12  
Days: 2  
Start Time: 8am  
Description of Schedule: Saturday and Sunday sometimes fill in  
Pay Per Hour: 11

**Alan () on Sat, May 7, 2016 at 9:00 AM**

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Address: Astoria, Queens, NY  
Phone: 718-545-0772  
Consumer Gender: Male  
Payroll Method: Agency  
Type of Candidates: Domestic / Homemaking  
Candidate Experience: Visual / Auditory Impairments,  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Description of Schedule: I am looking for a back up PCA  
Comments: I need someone who is willing to cook, clean house, escort me to Dr. appointments  
read well as she must be able to read my mail to me. I am available for interviews virtually  
every day. I do not use email as a way of corresponding, only phone. Applicants can call me at  
718-545-0772 between the hours of 9am and 11pm. I do prefer someone who knows the Lord  
Jesus Christ but it is not exclusive. The need is urgent as I don't want my case to close. I am  
connected with Concepts of Independence, which means that I hire the person and she gets paid  
by Medicaid through Concepts.

**Latchmie () on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 13:24:34**

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Neighborhood Name: Huntington Station

City, Town or Borough: Suffolk  
Available Transportation: Auto,  
Phone: 631-586-9360  
Best Time: Day  
E-mail: [Sulatchmie@gmail.com](mailto:Sulatchmie@gmail.com)  
Email Authorization: Yes  
Consumer Age: Younger than 21  
Consumer Gender: Female  
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Candidate Experience: Young Adults, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity,  
Hours: 7  
Days: 5  
Start Time: 1pm  
Description of Schedule: Flexible schedule  
Pay Per Hour: 13.58

**Ms. Stern () on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 07:09:10**

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Neighborhood Name: Roosevelt Island  
City, Town or Borough: Manhattan  
Transportation: Bus (Q102), Subway (F - Roosevelt Island Station) Tramway  
Phone: 212-758-9909 or 212-758-1274  
Best Time: 4pm - 8pm  
E-mail: [sstern1008@aol.com](mailto:sstern1008@aol.com)  
Email Authorization: Yes  
Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70  
Consumer Gender: Female  
Payroll Method: Agency - Concepts  
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Candidate Experience: Ventilators, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Languages  
Description of Languages: English  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Hours: 12  
Days: 5  
Start Time: 8 am/pm  
Description of Schedule: Two 12hr shifts per day,  
Pay Per Hour: 10



Comments: I am a ventilator dependent quadriplegic – who has been disabled and living independently many years. I am searching for a reliable PCA to work - 12 hours day or night shift. I need a PCA who respects the commitments they make, a PCA who truly understands the importance of their work, a PCA who takes pride in a job well done and a PCA who will not shy away from a complex employment opportunity. I live in a safe community with excellent transportation. The salary and benefits are provided by Concepts. If you are not currently enrolled with Concepts I will help to guide your through their process.

**Rosamond () on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at 12:22:11**

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Neighborhood Name: Southampton area

City, Town or Borough: Suffolk County

Available Transportation: Auto,

Phone: (631) 506-6928

Best Time: 10am-3pm

E-mail: [ms.jkerr@yahoo.com](mailto:ms.jkerr@yahoo.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Older than 70

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Seniors, Wheelchairs, Lifters,

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 12

Days: 4

Description of Schedule: Mon., Tues., Wed., days, Sat. night.

Pay Per Hour: 15.00

**Haley Sulahian () on Monday, May 2, 2016 at 16:35:56**

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City, Town or Borough: East Hampton

Phone: 631-680-6973

Best Time: 3:30

E-mail: [jsulahian@yahoo.com](mailto:jsulahian@yahoo.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Younger than 21

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Candidate Experience: Teens, Young Adults, Wheelchairs,  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Hours: 8  
Days: 3  
Start Time: 7:30

Description of Schedule: assist with dressing, transferring to toilet, preparing breakfast and lunch, administer morning meds

**Michael L. Kamm () on Sunday, May 1, 2016 at 17:00:01**

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City, Town or Borough: New Rochelle, New York  
Available Transportation: Bus, Train, Auto,  
Phone: 914-235-6874  
Best Time: 10am-10pm  
E-mail: [mlkamm@verizon.net](mailto:mlkamm@verizon.net)  
Consumer Age: Older than 70  
Consumer Gender: Male  
Payroll Method: Agency  
Type of Candidates: Domestic / Homemaking  
Description of Other Type of Candidates: shopping & house-cleaning  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Proof of Identity,  
Hours: 5  
Days: 1  
Start Time: 11am  
Description of Schedule: Mondays only  
Pay Per Hour: \$14/hour

**Cindy Fox () on Sat, Apr 30, 2016 at 10:13 PM**

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City, Town or Borough: West Sayville, NY  
E-mail: [mary.beck.fox@gmail.com](mailto:mary.beck.fox@gmail.com)  
Consumer Age: Older than 70  
Consumer Gender: Female  
Payroll Method: Agency  
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Candidate Experience: Seniors, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Special Diets,

Languages

Description of Special Diets: Pureed foods, and thickened liquids

Description of Languages: English

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 8

Days: 4

Description of Schedule: Round the clock care is necessary and covered. I am willing to be flexible.

Pay Per Hour: 13.00

Comments: Patient has advanced stage dementia/Alzheimer's. Needs help with all ADLs. English is important as the patient has difficulty understanding and communicating can become agitated. Comfortable working environment. The patient lives with her daughter and family. The daughter coordinates care for the patient and is very involved in day to day care. We are seeking RELIABLE coverage from a few caring, qualified compassionate individuals.

**Monique () on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at 09:07:28**

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Neighborhood Name: Bronx

City, Town or Borough: Bronx, NY

Available Transportation: Subway, Bus,

E-mail: [bct19204@gmail.com](mailto:bct19204@gmail.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Older than 70

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Seniors, Languages

Description of Languages: English

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 6

Days: 4

Start Time: 10:00am

Description of Schedule: schedule can be discussed

Pay Per Hour: 10

**Bella () on Friday, April 22, 2016 at 18:15:57**

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Neighborhood Name: Bensonhurst  
City, Town or Borough: Brooklyn NY  
Available Transportation: Subway, Bus, Auto,  
E-mail: [Barbek77@gmail.com](mailto:Barbek77@gmail.com)  
Email Authorization: Yes  
Consumer Age: Older than 70  
Consumer Gender: Female  
Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Candidate Experience: Seniors,  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 11

Days: 4

Start Time: 8:30am

Pay Per Hour: 10 +

Comments: Need to be very clean, experienced, and compassionate. Please send any information you want to share about yourself to my e mail.

**Kenneth Grauer () on Friday, April 22, 2016 at 12:02:24**

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City, Town or Borough: Blue Point, NY

Available Transportation: Auto,

Phone: 631 363 5312

E-mail: [kennygrauer@hotmail.com](mailto:kennygrauer@hotmail.com)

Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70

Consumer Gender: Male

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Seniors,

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

Required Documentation: Proof of Identity, Recommendations

Hours: 6

Days: 7

Start Time: 9:00 AM

Comments: CDPAP hourly rate

**James in New Rochelle () on Monday, April 18, 2016 at 10:58**

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Neighborhood Name: Sound Shore  
City, Town or Borough: New Rochelle  
Available Transportation: Bus, Train, Auto,  
Phone: 212-278-5573  
Best Time: 9:30-5:30  
E-mail: [wheels3939@gmail.com](mailto:wheels3939@gmail.com)

Email Authorization: Yes  
Consumer Age: Between 51 and 60  
Consumer Gender: Male  
Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Candidate Experience: Quadriplegia, Wheelchairs, Languages  
Description of Languages: English and/or Spanish  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Male

Required Documentation: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Hours: 13  
Pay Per Hour: 13  
Pay Per Day: 169.00

Comments: Looking for live-in PCA for a young minded and independent 53 Y/O spinal cord injury Quad with a full time job. 3-5 day shift available and can include OT time and a half pay. Please be mature/reliable/punctual. Assignment is very near New Roc Metro North train station. PCA candidate will need physical/ppd screen/rubella-rubeola shots. Experience with SCI quad ADL, standing pivot lifting and routine preferred but will teach right candidate.

**Frances () on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at 22:38:50**

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Neighborhood Name: SAG HARBOR  
City, Town or Borough: SUFFOLK COUNTY NY 11963  
Available Transportation: Train, Auto, Other Transportation,  
Description of Other Transportation: CAB, WALK , RIDE BIKE  
Phone: 631 725 8601  
Best Time: 7P.M>9 P.M  
E-mail: [K-9OUTOF10@OPTONLINE.NET](mailto:K-9OUTOF10@OPTONLINE.NET)

Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70  
Consumer Gender: Female  
Payroll Method: Self Pay  
Type of Candidates: Other Employees  
Description of Other Type of Candidates: ALL ABOVE,CLERICAL & SRVC K-9  
Candidate Experience: Seniors, Paraplegia, Wheelchairs, Other Equipment, Visual / Auditory Impairments,  
Description of Languages: ENGLISH

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 8

Days: 3>5

Start Time: 10:30 A.M.

Description of Schedule: DAYS CAN BE DISCUSSED

Pay Per Hour: \$13.00

Comments: C.D.P.A.P./ H.H.A., NEEDED FOR "9/11" 1ST RESPONDER K-9 S.A.R. IS NOW A PARA. MUST HAVE OWN CAR/ SKILLS NEEDED ARE COMMUNICATION, WRITING, CLERICAL, ERRANDS, ORGANIZING. COOKING, CLEANING, BATHING, TRANSFER ASSIST W/LEGS ONLY. SWIMMING/WATER FRIENDLY! AND PLEASE BE MALLEABLE. THANK YOU

## *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.*

**Makeda Harrigin () on Wednesday, May 18, 2016 at 10:13:51**

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Address: 409 Herzl Street Brooklyn NY 11212

Phone: 646 465 4580

Best Time: Anytime

E-mail: [Makedaharrigin@gmail.com](mailto:Makedaharrigin@gmail.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Experience: Children, Young Adults, Seniors, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,  
Hours per Week: 50  
Days per Week: 4  
Preferred Start Time: 8am  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
Target Salary Per Hour: \$12.00  
Comments: I have my GED and home health aide certificates

**Mariya Ignat () on Monday, May 16, 2016 at 09:53:01**

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Address: 205. Avenue M, Brooklyn NY  
Phone: 1-929-355-3634  
Best Time: any.  
E-mail: [mariyaignat@gmail.com](mailto:mariyaignat@gmail.com)  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes  
CDPAP Agency Name(s): Concepts of Independence  
Experience: Teens, Seniors, Wheelchairs, Other Equipment, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's  
Disease, Visual / Auditory Impairments, Special Diets,  
Description of Languages: English, Ukrainian, Russian, Polish  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Home Health Aid, Other,  
Hours per Week: 60  
Days per Week: 5  
Preferred Start Time: 8:00am  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday to Friday  
Target Salary Per Hour: 15  
Comments: I have experience HHA from 1997.

**Jessyka Braffith () on Saturday, May 14, 2016 at 17:36:44**

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Address: 480 east 176 St. Bronx, NY 10457  
Phone: (929) 227-0975  
Best Time: any  
E-mail: [jessykabraffith2008@gmail.com](mailto:jessykabraffith2008@gmail.com)  
Email Authorization: Yes

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: 6 months  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes  
CDPAP Agency Name(s): Concepts of Independence  
Experience: Children, Teens, Young Adults, Seniors, Quadriplegia, Ventilators, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Visual / Auditory Impairments,  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Description of Other Certificate/License: Certified nursing assistant  
Hours per Week: 40  
Days per Week: 5  
Preferred Start Time: 8am  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday - Friday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: If needed  
Target Salary Per Hour: 10.00

**Maria Reynoso () on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 18:30:31**

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Address: 2532 University Avenue  
Phone: 917-697-6480  
Best Time: 24 hours  
E-mail: [Alegria-7@msn.com](mailto:Alegria-7@msn.com)  
Email Authorization: Yes  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes  
CDPAP Agency Name(s): Summer  
Experience: Seniors, Paraplegia, Quadriplegia, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,  
Description of Special Diets: Diabetic  
Description of Languages: Spanish  
Documentation Available: Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Personal Care, Home Health Aid, Driver's License, Other,  
Description of Other Certificate/License: HHA  
Hours per Week: 40  
Days per Week: 4  
Preferred Start Time: 9am  
Days I Would Like to Work: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday



I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: Yes

Target Salary Per Hour: 13+

Target Salary Per Day: 150

Comments: I am a very hardworking lady, I am responsible, and I am personal clean. I also have many experiences. Don't be afraid to call.

**Melissa Drouillard () on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 16:42:35**

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Address: West 216 99 street N Y NY

Phone: 516 737 9169

Best Time: Anytime

E-mail: [Timeliss24@hotmail.com](mailto:Timeliss24@hotmail.com)

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Other Type of Position

Description of Other Type of Position: Special needs/senior care\private duty

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: No

Experience: Children, Young Adults, Seniors, Paraplegia, Hemiplegia, Amputation, Ventilators, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Visual / Auditory Impairments, Special Diets,

Description of Special Diets: Soft diet puree diet

Description of Languages: French-English Creole

Description of Other: Provide care only in Manhattan and Long Island

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

Certificate/License: Personal Care, LPN or PN, Driver's License,

Hours per Week: 60

Days per Week: 5day

Preferred Start Time: 8pm

Days I Would Like to Work: Monday to Friday

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: Yes

Target Salary Per Day: 250

**Theresa Masterson () on Saturday, May 7, 2016 at 21:51:29**

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Address: 292 Hawthorne St

Phone: 9294231028

Best Time: 9294231028

E-mail: [tmasterson37@gmail.com](mailto:tmasterson37@gmail.com)

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Experience: Children, Teens, Seniors, Paraplegia, Quadriplegia, Ventilators, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Visual / Auditory Impairments,  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity,  
Certificate/License: Personal Care,  
Hours per Week: 40  
Preferred Start Time: 8am  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday -Friday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: Yes  
Target Salary Per Hour: 11.00  
Comments: I have 13yrs experience  
learn fast and very  
clean easy to get along  
with

**Gnahore Henriette Takouo () on Saturday, May 7, 2016 at 17:20:40**

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Address: 1398 Grand Concourse Bronx NY  
Phone: 347 471 3530  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: No  
Experience: Children, Teens, Young Adults, Seniors, Amputation, Wheelchairs, Lifters,  
Description of Special Diets: low salt  
Description of Languages: English, French  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,  
Hours per Week: 40.  
Days per Week: 5  
Preferred Start Time: 8AM  
Days I would Like to Work: Monday to Friday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: No  
Target Salary Per Hour: \$15

**John Mcclean () on Thursday, May 5, 2016 at 17:28:53**

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Address: 1834 Caton Ave Brooklyn, NY 11226

Phone: 917 541 7793

Best Time: any

Gender: Male

Type of Position: Domestic / Homemaking

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: Yes

Years Employed with a Consumer/Surrogate: 3

Enrolled with a CDPAP: No

Experience: Children, Teens, Young Adults, Seniors, Paraplegia, Quadriplegia, Hemiplegia, Amputation, Ventilators, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Other Equipment, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Visual / Auditory Impairments,

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

Certificate/License: Personal Care, Home Health Aid,

Hours per Week: open

Days per Week: open

Preferred Start Time: ASAP

Days I Would Like to Work: open

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes

Target Salary Per Hour: open

Target Salary Per Day: open

Target Salary Per Week: open

Comments: Hi I have been a HHA/personal care for 10years.looking forward to working with you. If you have any questions feel free to contact me 917-541-7793 John

**Kiana Whitman () on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 12:53:14**

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Address: 122 Furman street Schenectady NY

Phone: 518 381 0217

Best Time: Mornings

E-mail: [Whitmankiana586@gmail.com](mailto:Whitmankiana586@gmail.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

Experience: Seniors, Lifters, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Special Diets,

Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity,

Certificate/License: Personal Care,

Hours per Week: 40

Days per Week: 6

Preferred Start Time: 3

Days I Would Like to Work: Monday through Friday

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: Yes

Target Salary Per Hour: 11.00

Comments: Would like clients in the Schenectady area if possible

**Mariesha Moore () on Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 13:18:56**

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Address: 180 Powell St Brooklyn NY 11212

Phone: 646-626-1803

Best Time: anytime

E-mail: [agenerallady@gmail.com](mailto:agenerallady@gmail.com)

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: 1 year

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): Concepts of Independence

Experience: Teens, Young Adults, Quadriplegia, Wheelchairs, Other Equipment, Visual / Auditory Impairments, Special Diets, Other,

Description of Special Diets: 2000 calorie diet through feeding tube

Description of Other: my consumer has multiple disabilities

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

Certificate/License: Personal Care,

Hours per Week: 40+

Days per Week: 5

Preferred Start Time: 6 am -2

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: no i work the afternoons 3-8 and weekends for 12hr

Target Salary Per Hour: \$12-\$15

Comments: I work with a young adult with cerebral palsy, spasticity, partially impaired, chronic asthma, collapsed left lung, non verbal, non mobile, wheelchair bound, sleep apnea. She is energetic thru all of her setbacks. I'm looking for a daytime position from Monday to Friday. I work with my consumer Saturday and Sunday 8am-8pm (12hrs) and Monday, Tuesday and Friday 3pm -8pm. I have been working with her for 1 year now and I'm looking to help with another consumer with the free hours I have in the day time. I am medically cleared and have no issues with being cleared through the agency. Thank you in advanced

**Sigita Garbarino () on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 09:14:16**

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Address: 277 Old Country Rd., Riverhead, NY 11901

Phone: 631 875 4587

Best Time: Any

E-mail: [Sigita\\_2005@yahoo.com](mailto:Sigita_2005@yahoo.com)

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: RECCO

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): RECCO

Experience: Seniors, Hemiplegia, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Other Equipment, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Special Diets, Languages

Description of Special Diets: Diabetes

Description of Languages: English Russian Lithuanian

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

Certificate/License: Home Health Aid, Driver's License,

Hours per Week: 24

Days per Week: 2

Preferred Start Time: Am pm

Days I Would Like to Work: Weekend

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: Yes

Target Salary Per Hour: \$20

Comments: 15 years experience

**Francisca A. Lara () on Saturday, April 23, 2016 at 12:49:39**

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Address: 1639 FULTON AVENUE APT1G

Phone: 1-347-984-5117

Best Time: 7am -8pm

E-mail: [Franciscalara693@gmail.com](mailto:Franciscalara693@gmail.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: No

Experience: Seniors, Paraplegia, Amputation, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Other Equipment, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Languages, Other,

Description of Languages: English and Spanish  
Description of Other: Cleaning house  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Home Health Aid, Driver's License, Other,  
Description of Other Certificate/License: HHA  
Days per Week: yes  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: NO

**Davika Ali () on Friday, April 22, 2016 at 12:53:02**

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Address: 103 20 91st ozone park 11417 ny  
Phone: 347 ;589 2685  
E-mail: [Betty.ramsumair@hotmail.com](mailto:Betty.ramsumair@hotmail.com)  
Email Authorization: Yes  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Description of Other Type of Position: HHA  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes  
CDPAP Agency Name(s): Concept agency  
Experience: Children, Teens, Young Adults, Seniors,  
Description of Languages: English  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,  
Hours per Week: 40  
Days per Week: 5  
Days I Would Like to Work: Flexible not Sunday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: Sometime  
Target Salary Per Hour: 15  
Target Salary Per Week: 700  
Comments: Attended Fordham into HHA qualified always on time and very caring

**Ilka Dickens () on Friday, April 22, 2016 at 17:13:21**

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Address: 1261 Eastern Parkway  
Phone: Brooklyn, NY 11213  
Best Time: 929-288-25  
E-mail: [dickensilka@gmail.com](mailto:dickensilka@gmail.com)

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Experience: Children, Teens, Young Adults, Seniors, Wheelchairs, Languages

Description of Languages: Spanish

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

Certificate/License: Personal Care, Home Health Aid,

Hours per Week: 40

Target Salary Per Hour: 16.00

Comments: I have over 10 years experience. I am reliable and responsible.

**William Vargas Monroe () on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 14:11:33**

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Address: 930 East 4th Walk

Phone: 212 673 6056

Best Time: Anytime

E-mail: [vargasmonroewilliam@gmail.com](mailto:vargasmonroewilliam@gmail.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Gender: Male

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

Experience: Children, Teens, Young Adults, Seniors,

Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity,

Certificate/License: Personal Care, Other,

Description of Other Certificate/License: Security licenses and maintenance license

Hours per Week: 30

Days per Week: 5

Preferred Start Time: 12:00pm

Days I Would Like to Work: Mondays Tuesdays Wednesdays Thursdays Fridays

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: Sometimes

Target Salary Per Hour: 12

Target Salary Per Day: 50

Target Salary Per Week: 300

Comments: I feel as though I'll be a great personal assistant, based on the fact that I have security license. So I know that my consumer will always be safe. I also have an osha in general maintenance. So I know in any environment it will be a clean and safe one.

**Shantiqua Brown () on Monday, April 18, 2016 at 20:16:04**

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Address: 21 Church Street Apt 6 Patchogue NY 11772

Phone: 631 294 3593

Best Time: Any

E-mail: [shantiquabrown@gmail.com](mailto:shantiquabrown@gmail.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

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: 1

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): Recco Home Care

Experience: Seniors, Paraplegia, Quadriplegia, Amputation, Ventilators, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Other Equipment, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Visual / Auditory Impairments, Special Diets,

Description of Special Diets: Diabetic

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

Certificate/License: Personal Care, Home Health Aid, Driver's License,

Hours per Week: 8

Days per Week: 6

Preferred Start Time: 8

Days I Would Like to Work: Any except Sunday

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: Yes

Target Salary Per Hour: 1350

Comments: I have school 6p-10p Monday – Thursday – Friday and Saturday I could do overnights or sleep in

**Mercedes Johnson () on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at 13:18:12**

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Address: 13201 160 St Jamaica NY 11434

Phone: 718 341 0297

E-mail: [Johnsonjm91@verizon.net](mailto:Johnsonjm91@verizon.net)

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: 7years

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): All metro health care



Experience: Seniors,  
Description of Languages: English  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity,  
Certificate/License: Personal Care, Home Health Aid, Driver's License,  
Days per Week: 5  
Preferred Start Time: Open  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday - Friday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: No  
Target Salary Per Hour: \$20  
Comments: Working as HHA for over 15 year hard working reliable reference available

**Keisha Blake () on Fri, Apr 15, 2016 at 11:05 AM**

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Address: Metropolitan Oval Bronx Area  
Email: [KeishaBlake1978@icloud.com](mailto:KeishaBlake1978@icloud.com)  
Gender: Female  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes  
Experience: 10 Years  
Hours per Day: 9:00-5:00  
Target Salary Per Hour: 13.00  
Comment: Looking for every other weekend, Male or Female, Elderly or Disabled

**Stephanie Moquete () on Friday, April 15, 2016 at 08:56:45**

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Address: 2921 Tilden Ave  
E-mail: [Stephaniemoquete@gmail.com](mailto:Stephaniemoquete@gmail.com)  
Email Authorization: Yes  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: No  
Experience: Young Adults, Seniors, Lifters, Other Equipment, Languages  
Description of Languages: English, Spanish  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity,  
Certificate/License: Personal Care, Home Health Aid,  
Hours per Week: 40+  
Days per Week: 5+  
Preferred Start Time: anytime  
Days I Would Like to Work: any day

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes

Target Salary Per Day: 120

## **Articles Related to the CDPAP**

### **Caregiver Advise, Record and Enable Act**

*Mon, May 16, 2016 at 11:20 AM*

This letter is to inform you about recently enacted legislation, known as the CARE Act (Caregiver Advise, Record and Enable Act), Public Health Law Article 29-CCCC (attached) and effective April 23 2016. A general hospital inpatient must be given an opportunity to formally identify a caregiver (such as a relative, partner, friend or neighbor) who would provide after-care assistance. This letter will summarize the hospital's responsibilities to comply with this new law and reinforce existing regulatory requirements for patient designated family/representative participation in the patient's discharge plan.

#### **OPPORTUNITY TO IDENTIFY CAREGIVER**

The New York State Department of Health expects hospitals to develop a policy and procedure to implement the requirements of the CARE Act. The CARE Act requires the hospital to provide each patient or legal guardian with at least one opportunity to identify at least one caregiver prior to the patient's discharge or transfer to another facility. A caregiver is an individual who provides after-care assistance to a patient who will be discharged home.

Patients are not required to designate caregivers and caregivers are not obligated to perform after-care tasks for patients. The patient must consent to disclose the patient's health information to the caregiver if the patient wants to designate a caregiver. If the patient does designate a CARE Act caregiver, the hospital must include the name and contact information of the caregiver in the patient's discharge plan.

#### **NOTICE TO THE CAREGIVER FOR PATIENTS DISCHARGED**

The hospital must attempt to notify the caregiver of the patient's transfer to another health care facility. The hospital must attempt to contact the caregiver prior to a patient's discharge to his or her residence so that the caregiver can provide after-care assistance in accordance with the hospital's instruction to the caregiver.

#### **INSTRUCTION TO THE CAREGIVER**

The hospital as soon as possible prior (and if possible, 24 hours prior) to the patient's discharge must consult with the identified caregiver along with the patient regarding the patient's after-care needs at his or her residence. The hospital must offer caregivers instruction in all after-care tasks, taking into account the capabilities and limitations of the caregiver.

Instruction to the caregiver is only required for patients being discharged to their homes, not patients being discharged to other health care facilities.

The following written or verbal instruction to the caregiver must be provided:

1. A demonstration of the after-care tasks. The demonstration may be performed live by a member of the hospital's workforce authorized to perform the after-care task, or it may be a recorded demonstration.
2. After the patient and the caregiver have been given an opportunity to ask questions about the after-care tasks, questions will be answered.

The hospital must document in the medical record that the instructions to the caregiver have been given.

## **RELATION TO DISCHARGE PLAN UNDER 10 NYCRR § 405.9**

The requirements for a comprehensive discharge plan to meet a patient's post-hospital needs are specified in 10 NYCRR § 405.9(f). The CARE Act does not change these existing requirements. Instruction to the CARE Act caregiver would not negate the need for home health care or other services.

All patients must be assessed for the need for health care services as part of their discharge plan. This includes, but is not limited to, home health care, long-term home health care, hospice, day care and respite care or residential health facility care.

Under 10 NYCRR § 405.9(f), a hospital must ensure that each patient has a discharge plan which meets the patient's post-hospital needs. A patient in need of post-hospital care must be assessed to determine the patient's post-hospital care needs, and the assessment must include an evaluation of the extent to which the patient's personal support system can provide for identified care needs if the patient is discharged home. Consistent with these existing requirements, the CARE Act specifically requires that, if a patient is being discharged home and the patient chooses to designate a CARE Act caregiver, the discharge plan under 10 NYCRR

§ 405.9 must include:

1. The name and contact information of the caregiver.

2. A description of the assistance with after-care tasks that the caregiver is recommended to provide.
3. Contact information for health care, community resources and long-term care supports to help the caregiver provide after-care assistance.

[http://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/hospital\\_administrator/letters/2016/docs/2016-05-11\\_dal\\_16-06\\_nys\\_phl\\_article29.pdf](http://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/hospital_administrator/letters/2016/docs/2016-05-11_dal_16-06_nys_phl_article29.pdf)

Should you have questions about the CARE Act, please contact the Division of Hospitals and Diagnostic & Treatment Centers at (518) 402-1003 or by email at [hospinfo@health.ny.gov](mailto:hospinfo@health.ny.gov)

Sincerely,  
Ruth Leslie  
Director Division of Hospitals and Diagnostic & Treatment Centers

## **2016 College Resources for Students with Disabilities**

*Tue, May 10, 2016 at 3:52 AM*

<http://www.accreditedonlinecolleges.org/resources/accredited-online-colleges-and-disability-education/>

## **Homecare Planning Solutions**

*Sat, May 7, 2016 at 1:37 AM*

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Brooklyn NY 11218  
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## **CDPAA EDITORIAL**

## **Higher Minimum Wage And Consumer Direction - What Does It Mean?**

ABLE NEWSPAPER - MAY 2016

BY BRYAN O'MALLEY, EXEC. DIR., CDPAANYS

*Tue, May 3, 2016 at 12:41 AM*

For four years, CDPAANYS has fought for higher reimbursement from Medicaid to allow those who use consumer directed personal assistance (CDPA) to pay their workers more money.

So, when Gov. Cuomo proposed to raise the minimum wage, we responded with mixed feelings. On one hand, it meant a raise for workers. The proposal also had its downsides too, which CDPAANYS advocated to fix throughout the budget process. With the budget done, consumers and PAs are left wondering – what does the minimum wage increase mean for me?

To begin with, we need to lay out what the increase actually does. In New York City, the minimum wage will become \$11 on Dec. 31, 2016. It will then go up \$2 per year until it reaches \$15 per hour on Dec. 31, 2018. In Long Island and Westchester, the minimum wage will become \$10 per hour on Dec. 31, 2016. It will rise \$1 per year until it reaches \$15 on Dec. 31, 2021.

In the rest of the state, the minimum wage will become \$9.70 per hour on Dec. 31, 2016. It will increase \$0.70 per year until 2020 when it reaches \$12.50. After that, the minimum wage in these counties will rise with inflation until it reaches \$15 at an unknown point. One problem is that the fast food wage increase, which the governor had established without the Legislature through a process known as a wage board, will still proceed as planned. This means the wage for fast food workers will grow faster than the wage for PAs. For instance, on Dec. 31, fast food workers will go to \$12 in New York City and \$10.75 in all other counties.

The only places where fast food will not exceed PA wages are Westchester and Long Island, where PA wages will be higher than the fast food industry by Dec. 31, 2017 and will remain higher until they become equal in 2021.

CDPAANYS does not know how much money fiscal intermediaries will receive to help pay these increased wages. In the first year, many PAs will not even see an increase. The state has set aside \$13 million to pay for the wage in all areas of Medicaid, although they expect to spend most of it on home care, including CDPA. They can spend up to \$58 million if needed and will work with groups like CDPAANYS to help identify a formula for spending the money.

What the formulas will not address is the fact that, when this process is done, PAs will have become minimum wage workers. They will have gone from making about one and a half times the minimum wage. For years - up to a decade upstate - they will make less than retail and fast food workers. The importance of their work has not decreased, so why has their pay?

That is why CDPAANYS is continuing to look at this issue. In addition to making sure we have the funding to pay for wages today, we are fighting to continue to increase wages to take care of the crisis that is looming. We cannot lose our workers to McDonald's. They are too important to us. They are, quite literally, our freedom.

Wages have been our top issue for one reason – PAs are the heart of what makes this program work. Without the ability to hire and keep high quality PAs, consumers cannot use the program. If consumers cannot use the program, the independence and flexibility this program offers is gone.

## **Elderly, Ailing—and Treated at Home**

Tue, May 3, 2016 at 12:38 AM

A few years ago, Luberta Whitfield suffered a stroke that left her right side paralyzed. The wheelchair-bound 87-year-old has emphysema and diet-controlled diabetes, is dependent on oxygen, and recently tore the right rotator cuff on her good arm. She also, amazingly, still lives in her own apartment.

Ms. Whitfield is a participant in Independence at Home, a congressionally authorized pilot program. The program gives the sickest Medicare patients primary care right where they live. Since launching in 2012, it has been a tremendous success, delivering high-quality care at a lower cost than traditional Medicare.

Unfortunately, because of a legislative quirk, the administration lacks the legal authority to extend the program across the U.S. The project has enrolled 10,000 patients, but that is the limit imposed by the law. Congress should make the program a permanent part of Medicare. It would benefit not only patients hoping for higher quality of life, but also taxpayers.

To qualify for the program, applicants need to have been hospitalized within the past year and to suffer from two or more chronic conditions. They must also require help with basic daily tasks, and have needed some kind of rehabilitation services, such as a stay in a skilled nursing facility, in the past 12 months. These patients are so sick that more than 23% die each year, and they average an extremely high \$45,000 in annual Medicare spending, according to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services analysis.

Targeting high-intensity patients is key to saving money. Frail elderly people who qualify make up 6% of Medicare patients and account for nearly 30% of the program's spending, a study in the *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society* has shown. Fortunately, a care coordinator, nurse or physician can easily identify eligible patients, with no need for complicated algorithms.

Once patients are accepted, they receive coordinated primary care focused on keeping them healthy and in their home. Ms. Whitfield, for instance, has two aides who provide six hours of daily personal care, far more than she would receive in a pricier nursing home. Her primary-care team is available at all times and visits her at home within 48 hours of any hospital discharge or emergency-room visit. It also coordinates care with specialists and mental-health providers, and can even bring in a mobile laboratory for blood tests, X-rays, EKGs and ultrasounds. Physical therapy and other rehabilitation services can be provided at home too, along with hospice care. It is concierge care for the sickest—not the richest.

Hospitalization is avoided unless absolutely necessary, and when it is, the care team coordinates the patient's transition back home. An earlier study at one of the program sites in Washington, D.C. has shown that home-based primary care reduces hospital stays by 30%. The pilot program's first-year savings averaged \$3,000 per patient. If estimates in a study published in the *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society* are right, the program could save Medicare tens of billions over 10 years.

Quality of care has also objectively increased. Independence at Home includes 17 sites throughout the country. All of them achieved Medicare's minimum quality requirements in the first performance year. More than a third of them reached all six of Medicare's quality measures, which evaluate criteria like the number of inpatient admissions or emergency-room visits.

Independence at Home works because human relationships form its foundation. By treating patients at home, the primary-care team can assess aspects of their patients' lives, such as diet and mobility. Social workers on the team can then coordinate services such as legal counseling, food, supportive personal care, and home modifications to eliminate hazards like loose carpets.

Physician groups, who join the program and bid to provide these services, receive bonuses for the cost savings they achieve, but only after total costs for their patients are cut by 5%. If they can't achieve those reductions for two consecutive years, they cannot share in the savings until their performance improves.

Independence at Home demonstrates how care will be delivered in the future: where sick people live instead of in a hospital or a physician's office. It is a win for patients, providers and taxpayers. Congress should lift the 10,000-patient cap and take the program national. It will

provide an example for the rest of the health-care system, while giving millions of seniors the best care available in their own homes—exactly where they want to be.

*Dr. Emanuel, chairman of the Department of Medical Ethics and Health Policy at the University of Pennsylvania, was a health-policy adviser at the White House budget office during the passage of the Affordable Care Act.*

<http://canmua.net/pennsylvania/elderly-ailing%E2%80%94and-treated-at-home-707364.html>

## **DIA meeting dates for 2015**

*Meetings are held monthly.*

*at Selis Manor 1st Floor Auditorium*

*135 West 23rd Street (between 6th and 7th Avenues) New York City*

*Board Meeting 1PM - Program Meeting 1:30-4PM*

**Sunday, June 12, 2016**

*Sunday, July 17, 2016*

*Sunday, August 21, 2016*

*Sunday, September 18, 2016*

*Sunday, October 16, 2016*

*Sunday, November 20, 2016*

*Sunday, December 11, 2016*

**Inclement Weather:** Cancellations will be announced on Saturdays 30 minutes after sundown on our web site [www.disabledinaction.org](http://www.disabledinaction.org) and answering machine 718-261-3737

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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**

[www.allamericanny.com](http://www.allamericanny.com)

718-717-8800

**Attentive Care Of Albany Inc.**

Consumer Direct Fiscal Intermediary

[www.attentivecareservices.com](http://www.attentivecareservices.com)

518-438-6271

**Bronxwork Inc**

[www.bronxworks.org](http://www.bronxworks.org)

(718) 993-8880

**Center For Family Life Employment**

[www.cflsp.org](http://www.cflsp.org)

718-633-4823

**El Barrio's Operation Fight Back**

[www.ebofb.org](http://www.ebofb.org)

212-410-7900

**Fifth Avenue Committee**

[www.fifthave.org](http://www.fifthave.org)

718-237-2017

**Goldenhearts Elderly Care Services**

[www.goldenelderlycare.com](http://www.goldenelderlycare.com)

(866) 531-4620

**Home Instead Senior Care**

[www.homeinstead.com](http://www.homeinstead.com)

212-614-8057

**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**

[www.koneduhomecare.com](http://www.koneduhomecare.com)

800 418-3299

**Marks Home Care of NY**

[www.markshhc.com](http://www.markshhc.com)

718-713-0005

**Mercy Center**

[www.mercycenterbronx.org](http://www.mercycenterbronx.org)

(718) 993-2789

**New York City College of Technology**

NYC Technical College Placement Office

[employmentsvc@citytech.cuny.edu](mailto:employmentsvc@citytech.cuny.edu)

(718) 260-5050

**New York Health Care Inc**

[www.nyhc.com](http://www.nyhc.com)

718-375-6700

**Northern Manhattan Improvement Corp**

[www.nmic.org](http://www.nmic.org)

212-822-8300

**Quality Healthcare, Steven Miller**

[www.qualityny.com](http://www.qualityny.com)

718-338-8500

**YWCA of NYC, Anne Alfred**

[aalfred@ywcanyc.org](mailto:aalfred@ywcanyc.org)

718-723-6170

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