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To assist Consumers with the problem of finding new Personal Care Assistants, [Consumer Directed Services](#) offers this FREE Newsletter and the FREE Service to Consumers and Personal Assistant Candidates.

- [Consumers / Advocates](#)
 - To receive a copy of the weekly Newsletter, a Consumer or Advocate need only send me an email to elitcher@consumerdirectedservices.com and include 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 Candidates and the other email Database Resources. As of the above date, **410 Personal Assistant Candidates** have been enrolled in the Consumer Directed Services database.
- [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](#).

To insure that this Newsletter will be available to as many Consumers / Advocates as possible, previously distributed Newsletters (**from January 12, 2011 to present**) have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](#) home page. Finally, if you have any questions, comments, or recommendations about this service, or should you wish to remove your address from this list, please contact send an email to elitcher@consumerdirectedservices.com.

Best Regards, Ed Litcher

Notes

WHAT: Webinar: Long Term Services and Supports in a Managed Care Environment: Advocacy Strategies for Increasing Independence

WHEN: Tuesday May 29, 2012 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM PDT

This year has brought a flood of state proposals to move long-term services and supports (LTSS) into managed care systems. As is generally true when managed care is involved, these proposals present both opportunities and hazards. Ideally, service planning and integrated LTSS financing/budgeting will lead to greater options for community-based services. The risk is that service planning will be dominated by managed care organizations unfamiliar with home and community-based services (HCBS) principles, and focused on short-sighted efforts to limit services. This session, jointly presented by the National Senior Citizens Law Center (NSCLC) and the Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund (DREDF), will discuss public policy advocacy strategies to protect consumer interests in managed care, introducing and utilizing an LTSS consumer protection checklist developed by NSCLC and DREDF.

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PCA Candidates

Consumer - To consider any of the following PCA Candidates, please contact the Candidates directly. To send an email the currently enrolled Personal Assistant Candidates please go to the [Consumer Directed Services](#) website and complete the form at the following link [Consumer / Advocate - Search for a PCA Candidate or Request a Newsletter](#).

Personal Assistant Candidate - To add your information to the next 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](#).

mallow7716@yahoo.com on Monday, May 21, 2012 at 17:20:37

Personal Assistant Candidate: Oksana Varshavskiy

Address1: 1200 grand st apt 525

Address2: hoboken, NJ 07030

Phone: [2676791447](tel:2676791447)

Best Time: any

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Experience: Children,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Other Equipment,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,, Special Diets,, Languages

Description of Special Diets: diabetes, low sodium, vegetarian

Description of Languages: English, Russian, Ukrainian,

Description of Other: CPR/ First Aide, CNA, blood pressure/sugar

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

Preferred Start Time: any

Days I Would Like to Work: full week (5-7 days)

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

Target Salary Per Week: 700-850

Comments:

European Woman, 50, with very pleasant attitude and professional skills (CNA certified, CPR, Massage Therapist, Reiki Master) is looking for Live-in job as a Companion/ Caregiver.

I have 8+ years of experience as a caregiver/ companion, checkable references, written and oral.

I have a clean background & driving record (11+ years) I own a car and I am a US citizen.

I am dependable, compassionate, honest, hard working, college-educated person with a positive outlook on life.

What I am offering:

I am Caregiver/ Companion (non-medicated). I have formal training as a CNA (in PA), CPR, Massage Therapist & Reiki Master. As my client, you will benefit from any and all of the aspects of my training and my good will.

My Relevant Skills:

Trained in measuring blood pressure/sugar, pulse, checking vital signs, CPR. Good cook/ baker (can cook vegetarian). Non-smoker, non-drinker, do not use any illegal substances. Clean personal record. Raised two children. Computer savvy: Internet, Skype, Word processing

My Nature & Disposition:

I am dependable, compassionate, honest, hard working, college-educated person with a very positive

outlook on life. I like to bring comfort and joy into other people's lives. And I do my best to meet their needs and work towards making a difference in their lives.

(risiensusan@yahoo.com) on Sunday, May 20, 2012 at 10:51:58

Personal Assistant Candidate: Susan Risien
Address1: 1985 William floyd pkwy
Address2: Ridge NY 11961
Phone: [6317644450](tel:6317644450)
Best Time: any
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health
Experience: Young Adults,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Other Equipment,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,
Description of Special Diets: soft, low salt,
Description of Languages: English
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,
Hours per Week: 50
Days per Week: week
Preferred Start Time: 7:30
Days I Would Like to Work: mon-sat
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes
Target Salary Per Hour: 13.00
Target Salary Per Day: 150
Target Salary Per Week: 900.00
Comments: Resume is on careerbuilders.com

(loveyoulyn@gmail.com) on Saturday, May 19, 2012 at 16:24:57

Personal Assistant Candidate: marilyn coleman
Address1: 45 cleveland st
Address2: staten island
Address3: new york, 10301
Phone: [860-719-4504](tel:860-719-4504)
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health
Experience: Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Other Equipment,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,, Special Diets,, Languages
Description of Special Diets: low sodium, low sugar
Description of Languages: english
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations
Hours per Week: 40
Days per Week: 5
Preferred Start Time: 7pm
Days I Would Like to Work: open to any
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes as needed
Target Salary Per Hour: 9.00
Comments: I have been a certified hha/pca since 2006. I take a great liking to the job that I do. I have

worked with an array of patients including dementia and traumatic brain injuries. I also have experience in hoier lifts and ostomy care. I am a very caring female with lots of compassion.

rildapcrossley@gmail.com on Saturday, May 19, 2012 at 10:46:36

Personal Assistant Candidate: Rilda Royal

Address1: 3324 whiteplains Road apt 2r

Address2: bronx ny 10467

Phone: 347 427 0082 -646 286 1777

Best Time: anytime

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Experience: Children,, Teens,, Young Adults,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Amputation,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,

Description of Languages: english

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

Hours per Week: 60

Days per Week: 5

Preferred Start Time: anytime

Days I Would Like to Work: anydays or nights

Target Salary Per Hour: 10 or 12

Comments: lam a certified Home Health Aid lam fully experienced Diabetic Paraplegia Alzheimer disease Amputation Wheelchair Lifters

dopeemahmee.sm@gmail.com on Saturday, May 19, 2012 at 10:03:17

Personal Assistant Candidate: stephanie moquete

Address1: 2921 tilden ave

Address2: apt 10e

Address3: brooklyn, n.y. 11226

Phone: [347 7211453](tel:3477211453)

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

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

Description of Languages: english, spanish

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

Days per Week: 4

Preferred Start Time: 8am

Days I Would Like to Work: monday - thursday

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

Target Salary Per Day: 135

mayeth1970@gmail.com on Saturday, May 19, 2012 at 07:42:55

Personal Assistant Candidate: Maria S Cohen

Address1: 84 Halstead Ave #3B

Address2: Harrison, NY 10528

Phone: [914\) 574-3707](tel:9145743707)

Best Time: 2 pm

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Experience: Seniors,, Wheelchairs,

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

Hours per Week: 35

Days I Would Like to Work: 12 Hour Sleep In over night schedule.

Target Salary Per Hour: \$ 13

Lisakok2@gmail.com on Friday, May 18, 2012 at 17:51:53

Personal Assistant Candidate: Doris Feare

Address1: !315 Gunther Ave

Address2: Bronx, New York

Phone: [347 255 1326](tel:3472551326)

Best Time: [2127377663](tel:2127377663)

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Experience: Seniors,

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

Hours per Week: 70

Days per Week: 7

Preferred Start Time: 8

Days I Would Like to Work: Any

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

Comments: Have much experience with senior care. Had doctor as a client and was taught wound dressing and other medical skills. I am hardworking, reliable and clean.

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

Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services

To: Consumer Directed Services Agencies

Changes to Mandatory Participation in Electronic Visit Verification for Individuals Using the Consumer Directed Services Option

In response to stakeholder feedback, the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) is making Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) more flexible for individuals who use the Consumer Directed Services (CDS) option. The purpose of this letter is to provide Consumer Directed Services Agencies (CDSAs) information regarding changes, effective June 1, 2012, to the EVV system for the CDS option. This letter also provides guidance for ensuring CDS Employers understand their choices for

participation in EVV. These changes will be in effect until further refinement of the EVV system.

www.dads.texas.gov/providers/.../2012/letters/IL2012-53.pdf



A Breakthrough Model for Independence and Choice: Self-Direction and Behavioral Health

Topic(s): Participant Involvement, Program Design, Research, Support Services, Training

Our agenda and featured speakers include:

Bob Glover, Executive Director, National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors; Wendy Yallowitz, Program Officer, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation; Paolo Del Vecchio, Acting Director, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Center for Mental Health Services; Ron Manderscheid, Executive Director, National Association of County Behavioral Health and Developmental Disability Directors

What is Self-Direction? Lori Simon-Rusinowitz, Research Director, NRCPPDS and Associate Professor, University of Maryland School of Public Health

The Family Perspective: Pat Wright, Cash and Counseling Participant, NRCPPDS, National Participant Network

Self-Direction in Behavioral Health: Patrick Hendry, Senior Director of Consumer Advocacy, Mental Health America, Former Coordinator of Florida SDC Program

Important Elements of Self-Direction: Kathryn Poisal, Technical Director, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, CHIP, and Survey & Certification (CMCS) Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group, Division of Long Term Services and Supports; Suzanne Crisp, Director of Program Design and Implementation, NRCPPDS and Former Director of the Arkansas Cash and Counseling Program and Former Director of Program Integration at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Personal Observations of Self-Directed Programs: Sandra Barrett, Former Director Arkansas Cash & Counseling Program and Technical Assistance Consultant NRCPPDS

Q&A and Open Discussion: facilitated by Bevin Croft, Policy Analyst, HSRI

Available Files

- A Breakthrough Model for Independence and Choice (44 pages - 1.06 MB) [Download](#)
- Project Overview (2 pages - 113.69 KB) [Download](#)
- Questions and Answers (4 pages - 102.66 KB) [Download](#)
- Self-Direction Resource Guide (4 pages - 170.46 KB) [Download](#)
- Webinar Invite (1 pages - 92.54 KB) [Download](#)
- Webinar Link (1 pages - 64.72 KB) [Download](#)

web.bc.edu/libtools/details.php?entryid=344...1...

PCA Employment Agencies

If your Personal Care Assistant (PCA) Employment Service assists Self-Pay and CDPAP Consumers in the NYC Metro Area, you can have your agency information added to the following list by completing the [Employment Service Enrollment Form](#).

Blessed Healthcare Staffing Agency
Tissha Thomas
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Bronxwork Inc Kedon Wilson
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(718) 993-8880 ext. 237

Brooklyn Bureau of Community Service
Leslie Klein
285 Schermerhorn St, Brooklyn, NY 11217
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Center For Family Life Employment
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718-633-4823

El Barrio's Operation Fight
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212-410-7900

Eugenio María de Hostos Community College
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Fifth Avenue Committee
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Kingsborough Community College
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718-368-5563

Konedu Home Care, LLC
Carie Jones Smith
140 Captain Thomas Blvd West Haven, CT 06516
helpingfamilies@koneduhomecare.com
Phone: [800 418-3299](tel:8004183299)

Mercy Center
Mary Ellen Gianino
377 East 145th Street, Bronx NY 10454-1006
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New York City College of Technology
NYC Technical College Placement Office
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Our Planet Management Institute
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Queens Community House
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