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[Call to Action – Wage Parity – Endangers CDPAP]  
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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)**.

*We are pilgrims on a journey; we are travelers on the road;  
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load*

Excerpt from - *The Servant Song*- Richard Gillard (1974)

To assist Consumers with the problem of finding new Personal Care Assistants, [Consumer Directed Services, Inc.](#) 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.

**B Reese () on Saturday, June 17, 2017 at 13:05:20**

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Neighborhood Name: Bushwick

City, Town or Borough: Brooklyn

Available Transportation: Subway, Bus,

E-mail: [tnr73@outlook.com](mailto:tnr73@outlook.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Wheelchairs,

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 12

Description of Schedule: 12 hours, flexible days

Pay Per Hour: 10.00

Comments: 43 year old female in Bushwick, Brooklyn looking for a Reliable, professional, understanding and mature female. These qualities are extremely important. Duties include personal care from hygiene to grooming, and dressing. Household cleaning and laundry. Shopping, assistance with cooking and social activities. I prefer someone with experience and certification. Must be enrolled with Concepts of Independence, if not already. \$10/hr/ weekday \$11.20/weekends. Benefits. HS Diploma drug test and ability to work in U.S is required.

Paid annual leave and holidays

Access to a comprehensive health care plan  
Life insurance program

**Pam H () on Friday, June 16, 2017 at 17:01:22**

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City, Town or Borough: Dix hills Suffolk county

Available Transportation: Auto,

Phone: 516-528-0392

Best Time: Daytime or

E-mail: [Phollandny@gmail.com](mailto:Phollandny@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,

Description of Languages: English

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 4-5

Days: 3

Description of Schedule: Late afternoon two evenings till 10 pm

Pay Per Hour: \$11

**Mr. A.() on Sunday, June 11, 2017 at 22:44:56**

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Available Transportation: Subway, Bus, Train, Auto,

Phone: 646-481-4458

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

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Gender: Male

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Preferred Candidate Gender: Male

Description of Schedule: do be discuss

Comments: MALE AID NEEDED....Personal care / home health any I can train You no

experience: needed I need a person who is reliable, a person who truly understands the

importance of their work, a who

takes pride in a job. I live in a safe community with excellent transportation. I can train anyone.

If you call please leave a message and I will call you back.

**Barbara() on Saturday, June 10, 2017 at 17:01:29**

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Neighborhood Name: Bensonhurst  
City, Town or Borough: Brooklyn  
Available Transportation: Subway, Bus, Train, Auto,  
Phone: 1917 270 0941  
Best Time: 10am and 7  
E-mail: [barbek77@gmail.com](mailto:barbek77@gmail.com)  
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: 101/2  
Days: 2  
Start Time: 8:30am  
Description of Schedule: Sat and Sun from 8:30am to 7:00pm  
Pay Per Hour: 11.00  
Comments: You can email me or leave a message.  
Thank you

**Akeem () on Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 16:57:46**

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Neighborhood Name: Bronx  
Available Transportation: Bus,  
Phone: 3476052740  
E-mail: [akkeyz@hotmail.com](mailto:akkeyz@hotmail.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: Teens, Young Adults, Paraplegia, Quadriplegia, Wheelchairs, Lifters,  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Proof of Identity,  
Hours: 12  
Days: 2  
Start Time: 8 pm

Description of Schedule: needed for Fri, Sat  
Pay Per Hour: 11

**Ms. Stern () on Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 16:45:09**

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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.

**T.P. () on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 23:11:11**

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Neighborhood Name: HUNTINGTON STATION  
Available Transportation: Auto,  
Phone: 631-424-6811  
Best Time: 8am-8pm  
E-mail: [mtjmtj250@gmail.com](mailto:mtjmtj250@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,  
Description of Special Diets: diabetic  
Description of Languages: English  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female  
Required Documentation: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Hours: 8  
Days: 5  
Start Time: 8am  
Pay Per Hour: 16

**Lori () on Friday, June 2, 2017 at 23:33:06**

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City, Town or Borough: New York  
Available Transportation: Subway, Bus, Auto,  
Phone: 917-699-5976  
Best Time: 7pm  
E-mail: [lorihmiller@gmail.com](mailto:lorihmiller@gmail.com)  
Email Authorization: Yes  
Consumer Age: Older than 70  
Consumer Gender: Male  
Payroll Method: Agency  
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health  
Candidate Experience: Seniors, Wheelchairs, Lifters,  
Preferred Candidate Gender: Male  
Required Documentation: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Hours: 12  
Days: 1-4  
Start Time: 8am/pm  
Description of Schedule: Depends on how i rotate the schedule with the other aides  
Pay Per Hour: 13.50  
Comments: My Father is 89 w/ Parkinson's Disease. He has a permanent catheter.  
He already had a few Filipino aides whom he loves but he needs care  
100% of the time so looking to add one or two aides to the rotation.

**Melissa () on Friday, June 2, 2017 at 12:22:01**

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City, Town or Borough: Bay Shore

Available Transportation: Auto,

Phone: 631-328-5307

Best Time: evenings

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

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Young Adults, Quadriplegia, Wheelchairs, Visual / Auditory  
Impairments, Languages

Description of Languages: English

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

Required Documentation: Recommendations

Hours: 3

Days: 4

Start Time: 7pm

Description of Schedule: Assistance with dinner, observe bathroom transfer, put me in bed with  
required items

Pay Per Hour: \$13.58

Comments: FEMALE ONLY. Must know proper transfer techniques, will train if necessary. I  
have hearing loss so candidate must speak CLEAR & LOUD.

**Joey Durante () on Saturday, May 27, 2017 at 12:26:29**

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Neighborhood Name: Mill Basin

City, Town or Borough: Brooklyn

Available Transportation: Subway, Bus,

Phone: 718-808-2788

Best Time: Any Time

Consumer Age: Between 21 and 30

Consumer Gender: Male

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Other Employees

Description of Other Type of Candidates: Must be a Home Health Aid

Candidate Experience: Young Adults, Wheelchairs,

Preferred Candidate Gender: Male

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



Hours: 7

Days: 7

Start Time: 9am

Comments: Consumer is a 200lb male being served by a conventional Home Health Agency - Helping Hands - Needs a strong male aid to physically lift from wheelchair to permit him to go the bathroom. Aid will also need to cook, accompany him on bus, and help him into and out of bed.

**Denise Vargas () on Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 23:29:47**

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Neighborhood Name: Roslyn

City, Town or Borough: Nassau

Available Transportation: Bus, Train, Auto,

Phone: 516-382-8189

Best Time: 9pm

E-mail: [keeday8@gmail.com](mailto:keeday8@gmail.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Paraplegia, Quadriplegia, Wheelchairs,

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

Required Documentation: Proof of Identity, Recommendations

Hours: 8

Days: 2

Start Time: 1pm

Pay Per Hour: 13.00

Comments: Non smoker, no perfume. Must be able to travel out of the U.S. Must drive to run errands etc.

**Deb () on Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 18:55:10**

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Available Transportation: Subway, Bus, Train, Auto,

Phone: 718 279-0467

Best Time: 9am 9pm

E-mail: [debb7302@aol.com](mailto:debb7302@aol.com)

Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Wheelchairs,

Description of Languages: English

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Description of Schedule: sleep-in position

Comments: I am wheelchair bound with cerebral palsy need assistance when you call I will be able to explain more in detail

**Barbara Heller () on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 15:13:54**

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City, Town or Borough: Valley Stream, NY

Available Transportation: Bus, Auto,

Description of Other Transportation: -

Phone: 516-350-8191

Best Time: anytime

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

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Older than 70

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Self Pay

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

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

Description of Special Diets: swallowing difficulty

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 12

Days: 1-2

Start Time: 8:00pm

Description of Schedule: OVN shift every other Tuesday to start, weekly nights possible in the future

Pay Per Hour: 17-20

Comments: Humble family seeking professional, compassionate home aide for hospice patient in her private home.

#### REQUIREMENTS

\*\*\* LOCAL candidates only: Long Island, Queens, Brooklyn

\*\*\* 2-3 references

\*\*\* CDPAP a plus

OVERNIGHT SHIFT

Every other Tuesday night, 12 hour shift 8:00 p.m. - 8:00 a.m. Possible additional overnights available.

#### Requirements

- female aide only
- non smoker
- comfortable with cats

#### Profile

- compassionate care for dementia
- ability to work with team of home aides and family
- companionship with patient

#### Education

- high school diploma
- CHHA, CNA or equivalent experience

#### Experience

- bed bound patient (200 pounds)
- dementia care
- hospice care

#### Medication Management

- administer and log medications

#### Other

- swallowing difficulty

We're looking for:

High school graduate

Non-smoker

Comfortable with pets

Feeding

Bathing / Dressing

Companionship

Meal Preparation

Errands / Shopping

Light Housekeeping

Medication Management

**Kelly Seay-Soskin () on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 09:59:40**

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Neighborhood Name: 23 N. Columbus Ave G1  
City, Town or Borough: Mt. Vernon N.Y 10553  
Phone: 914-699-9836  
E-mail: [EGenao@richmondcommserv.org](mailto:EGenao@richmondcommserv.org)

# *PCA Information*

*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.*

**Note: If you are seeking employment from a Consumer who is receiving their service authorization from a New York State Medicaid funded Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program, the Consumer is permitted to consider your employment only if you can pass ALL of the following New York State reviews.**

1. You are an adult of at least 18 years of age.
2. The Consumer is not your spouse or (if the Consumer is younger than 21) is not your child.
3. You do not live in the home of the Consumer (unless their service requires it).
4. You are not the Designated Representative (Surrogate) of the Consumer.
5. You do not have any financial control over the Consumer.
6. Your information must pass a Federal and State Government Exclusion List Review.
- 7 You have a verifiable Social Security number and the qualified documents needed to prove that you are eligible to work in the United States.

**The State of New York also requires each Personal Care Assistant to complete a Health Assessment BEFORE you begin work.**

The Health Assessment includes:

- A basic physical exam - blood pressure, height, weight, etc.
- A TB (Tuberculosis) Screen (PPD) or a chest x-ray if the test is positive or if the test would not be appropriate
- A Measles and Rubella Screen or Vaccine
- A drug test of Urine (forensic toxicology)

**In addition to the above New York State requirements,** the municipality in which the Consumer lives may also impose additional health assessments or legal reviews. The Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program your Consumer chooses will require the completion of a Memorandum of Understanding (Consumer / Personal Care Assistant Agreement) to clarify the employment relationship, and they may require other documents to help them effectively complete their role as the Consumers Fiscal Intermediary.

# *PCA Candidates*

**Claudia Cornwall () on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 07:57:57**

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Address: 829 Flatbush Ave Brooklyn New York

Phone: 718-940-0367

Best Time: Anytime

E-mail: [Neekeldesouza28@gmail.com](mailto:Neekeldesouza28@gmail.com)

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No

Years Employed with a Consumer/Surrogate: 14 years

Enrolled with a CDPAP: No

Experience: Seniors, Paraplegia, Quadriplegia, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Other Equipment, Visual / Auditory Impairments, Special Diets,

Can pass the New York State Review: Yes

Had a Health Assessment in the past 12 months: Yes

Have or can get a copy of my recent Health Assessment: Yes

Other Documentation Available: Proof of Identity,

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

Hours per Week: 35

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: 14-15

**Mary Sarah Solimeo () on Monday, June 19, 2017 at 12:43:15**

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Address: 28 Bay Terrace 2F Staten Island, NY 10306

Phone: 917-533-1807

Best Time: morning

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Domestic / Homemaking

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): Concepts of Independence

Experience: Children, Teens, Young Adults, Seniors, Wheelchairs, Special Diets,

Can pass the New York State Review: Yes

Had a Health Assessment in the past 12 months: Yes

Have or can get a copy of my recent Health Assessment: Yes

Certificate/License: Driver's License,  
Hours per Week: 35  
Days per Week: 5  
Preferred Start Time: 4pm  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday through Friday I am flexible  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: No  
Target Salary Per Hour: 15.00

**Kamala Singh () on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 20:39:59**

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Address: 8676 208th St  
Phone: 347-548-4087  
Best Time: 9am to 9pm  
E-mail: [kamala1931@live.com](mailto:kamala1931@live.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: over 5  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes  
CDPAP Agency Name(s): Concepts of Independence  
Experience: Seniors, Paraplegia, Quadriplegia, Ventilators, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Visual /  
Auditory Impairments, Special Diets,  
Description of Special Diets: Vegetarian  
Description of Languages: English  
Can pass the New York State Review: Yes  
Had a Health Assessment in the past 12 months: Yes  
Have or can get a copy of my recent Health Assessment: Yes  
Other Documentation Available: Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Hours per Week: 60  
Days per Week: 5  
Preferred Start Time: 8 am  
Days I Would Like to Work: Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat and Sun  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: only in an emergency  
Comments: I can also work nights 8 pm to 8 am. I am very flexible. My  
phone number is 347 548 4087

**Elisabeta Budeanu () on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 18:45:33**

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Address: 98-32 57 Avenue Apt.8B,Corona ,NY 11368

Phone: 347-239-6004

Best Time: All Time

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

Email Authorization: Yes

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: Yes

Years Employed with a Consumer/Surrogate: 12

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): Concepts of Independence. (PA 490270)

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

Description of Languages: English and Romania.

Description of Other: I'm retired and I'm not working.

Can pass the New York State Review: Yes

Had a Health Assessment in the past 12 months: Yes

Have or can get a copy of my recent Health Assessment: Yes

Other Documentation Available: Proof of Identity, Recommendations

Certificate/License: Personal Care,

Days I Would Like to Work: 4-5

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

**Geethanjali Rajasingham () on Sunday, June 4, 2017 at 09:09:50**

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Address: 515 Windsor Road New Milford NJ

Phone: 201-421-1667

Best Time: any

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: No

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

Can pass the New York State Review: Yes

Had a Health Assessment in the past 12 months: Yes

Have or can get a copy of my recent Health Assessment: Yes

Other Documentation Available: Proof of Identity, Recommendations

Certificate/License: Driver's License,

Hours per Week: 40

Days per Week: 5

Preferred Start Time: 9 am

Days I Would Like to Work: week days



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

Target Salary Per Hour: 11.00

Comments: I am a mother of a disabled child who is an amputee

**Deserae Lewis () on Thursday, June 1, 2017 at 05:09:14**

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Address: Shirley, NY

Phone: 631-506-9516

Best Time: Any

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

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): Recco

Experience: Children, Young Adults, Seniors, Paraplegia, Quadriplegia, Wheelchairs, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Visual / Auditory Impairments,

Description of Special Diets: Puréed

Can pass the New York State Review: Yes

Had a Health Assessment in the past 12 months: Yes

Have or can get a copy of my recent Health Assessment: Yes

Other Documentation Available: Proof of Identity, Recommendations

Certificate/License: Personal Care, Driver's License,

Hours per Week: 36+

Days I Would Like to Work: Monday-Friday

**Danielle Rossi () on Friday, May 26, 2017 at 19:29:18**

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Address: 154 Broome Street New York NY 10002

Phone: 917-723-3286

Best Time: Anytime

E-mail: [Daniellerossi38@gmail.com](mailto:Daniellerossi38@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

CDPAP Agency Name(s): Concepts of independence

Experience: Children, Teens, Young Adults, Seniors, Wheelchairs, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Visual / Auditory Impairments,  
Description of Languages: English  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Personal Care,  
Hours per Week: 40  
Days per Week: 5  
Preferred Start Time: 8am  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday Thur Saturday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: No  
Target Salary Per Hour: 12:00  
Comments: I'm very hard working. Always on time. I'm caring and love working with people

**Nancy Levine () on Friday, May 26, 2017 at 11:33:34**

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Address: 283 Pipe Stave Hollow Rd Miller Place NY 11764  
Phone: 631-834-7840  
Best Time: any  
E-mail: [jn89@hotmail.com](mailto:jn89@hotmail.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: 2  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes  
CDPAP Agency Name(s): Recco, south shore  
Experience: Seniors, Ventilators, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Visual / Auditory Impairments,  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity,  
Certificate/License: Personal Care, Driver's License,  
Hours per Week: 20  
Days per Week: 3-4  
Preferred Start Time: 9am  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday - Friday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: no  
Target Salary Per Hour: 12.00

**Gabriela Alexandrescu () on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 22:32:52**

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Address: 42 Jedwood Pl Valley Stream NY 11581

Phone: 917-650-1060

Best Time: Anytime

E-mail: [Gabynick22@yahoo.com](mailto:Gabynick22@yahoo.com)

Email Authorization: Yes

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No

Years Employed with a Consumer/Surrogate: 6

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): Concepts of Independence

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

Description of Languages: Romanian

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

Certificate/License: Driver's License, Other,

Description of Other Certificate/License: CNA

Hours per Week: 48

Days per Week: 4

Preferred Start Time: 8:00pm

Days I Would Like to Work: M T W T

I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: No

Target Salary Per Hour: \$15.00

**Lee Peng Yan () on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 08:19:22**

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Address: 3117 38ST

Phone: 646-821-6232

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: No

Experience: Seniors, Paraplegia, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Visual / Auditory Impairments, Languages

Description of Languages: English, Mandarin and Cantonese

Documentation Available: Proof of Identity,

Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,

Hours per Week: 35

Days per Week: 5

Preferred Start Time: 8am  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday to Friday or 1 Saturday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: no  
Target Salary Per Hour: 15.00

**Elizabeth Singletary () on Monday, May 22, 2017 at 12:13:54**

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Address: 454 Alphonse Street  
Phone: 585-622-3859  
Best Time: anytime  
E-mail: [Jesuslovesall317@gmail.com](mailto:Jesuslovesall317@gmail.com)  
Email Authorization: Yes  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No  
Years Employed with a Consumer/Surrogate: N/A  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: No  
Experience: Children, Teens, Young Adults, Seniors, Quadriplegia, Amputation, Wheelchairs, Lifters, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease, Visual / Auditory Impairments, Special Diets,  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number, Proof of Identity,  
Certificate/License: Personal Care, Driver's License,  
Hours per Week: 30  
Days per Week: 6  
Preferred Start Time: 9am  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday - Saturday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: day shift for now  
Target Salary Per Hour: 10  
Comments: I worked as an CNA and a HHA I have 8years experience my certification has expired at the time was working in the schools with autism and special Ed students, I love working with the public and I love people, when my father had a stroke I decided to work in this field to help others

# *Articles Related to the CDPAP*

## *Link to DOH Letter re: Wage Parity*

*Mon, Jun 19, 2017 at 3:47 PM*

New York State Department of Health  
Andrew Segal, Director  
Division of Long Term Care Office of Health Insurance Programs.

Date: June 14, 2017

Subject: Home Care Worker Wage Parity Guidance to Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Service (CDPAP) Fiscal Intermediaries (FI)

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B1UgXr1KtCdKWEFfUEhSOVZpX0k/view?usp=sharing>

## *Call to Action – July 1 – Wage Parity* *Could end CDPAP*

*Fri, Jun 9, 2017 at 4:11 PM*

On **July 1**, Consumer Directed Personal Assistance (CDPA) will be included in wage parity. Wage parity means that plans now must calculate wages **and** benefits when calculating reimbursement. This means they will have to pay \$15.09 in NYC and \$13.22 in Long Island & Westchester.

Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs) cannot meet new wage parity requirements without additional funding from plans. Many plans have cut payments to FIs, which is why PA wages are low and overtime hours are being capped.

**If plans don't pay more to fiscal intermediaries, it will be the end of CDPA.**

CDPAANYs has created the [infographic](https://infograph.venngage.com/p/274918/wage-parity-plans-must-pay) <https://infograph.venngage.com/p/274918/wage-parity-plans-must-pay> to explain the issue and show what fiscal intermediaries are responsible for paying. FIs have to pay for more than just PA wages. We also show the [discrepancy in pay](#) between plan CEOs and personal assistants.

**The CEO of Fidelis was paid \$1,818 *per hour* in 2015 - more than 120 times what a New York City PA will make once wage parity is in effect.**

How can plans say they are too broke to pay?

**Your voices are needed in this fight.**

**ACTION: Please make three phone calls today!**

- 1. Call Governor Cuomo at 518-474-8390.**
2. Tell Governor Cuomo you are counting on him to make sure managed care plans pay for wage parity in CDPA. Make sure he knows wage parity is beginning July 1st.
- 3. Call the State Department of Health MLTC Complaint Line at 1-866-712-7197.**
4. Tell the Department of Health that your managed care plan is not paying its providers enough to meet new wage parity rules. Make sure they know wage parity is beginning July 1st.
- 5. Call your managed care plan or MLTC and ask to file a grievance.**

6. Tell your plan they must pay for CDPA wage parity. They need to re-negotiate their contracts with fiscal intermediaries, so they can pay for wage parity. Remind them that wage parity is effective starting July 1st.

Please share [this infographic https://infograph.venngage.com/p/274918/wage-parity-plans-must-pay](https://infograph.venngage.com/p/274918/wage-parity-plans-must-pay) on wage parity widely in your email and social media networks. We need you to get the word out to get people calling!

**Brian O'Malley, Executive Director**

Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Association of New York State

119 Washington Ave Suite 3A

Albany, NY 12210

PH: 518-813-9537

FAX: 518-813-9539

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

## **Class Action against DOH re GuildNet closure**

*Fri, Jun 9, 2017 at 1:14 PM*

A Complaint NYLAG filed on Tuesday against the Department of Health, on behalf of GuildNet enrollees in Westchester, Suffolk and Nassau counties, regarding DOH's failure to provide any transition rights when an MLTC plan closes.

We are eager to hear from any GuildNet enrollees who are still searching for a new MLTC willing to accept them at their current level of care, so please feel free to pass our contact information along to anyone who may be in touch with GuildNet enrollees in these three counties. I can be reached at 212-613-5093 or Ben Taylor can be reached at 212-613-5069.

Thanks,

Elizabeth Jois

Phone: (212) 613-5093

Fax: (212) 714-7575

## **Nonprofit insurer pulls out of Suffolk**

*Mon, May 22, 2017 at 1:40 PM*

Elderplan's HomeFirst, a managed long-term care plan, is pulling out of Suffolk County in the latest example of an insurer narrowing its geographic coverage for chronically ill and disabled members, the health plan confirmed on Friday. The decision "was driven by the difficulties we encountered effectively staffing and serving the needs of members across such an expansive geographic area," said a spokeswoman for the nonprofit MJHS, which runs Elderplan. The insurer will continue to cover members' services until they pick a new plan, she said.

The move follows the exit of another nonprofit managed long-term care plan, GuildNet, from Suffolk as well as Nassau and Westchester counties as of June 1. The two plans had covered 41% of the 5,735 managed long-term care enrollees in Suffolk County as of March. The state Department of Health is "closely tracking" the transition of members in Suffolk County following the exits of GuildNet and Elderplan, a spokeswoman told Crain's.

There are still 10 plans offering coverage in the county, including Fidelis Care and North Shore-LIJ Health Plan. Earlier this month in response to GuildNet's exit, the department had said there was "ample capacity and choice" in the managed long-term care program. —J.L.

Valerie J. Bogart, Director

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<http://www.wnyc.com/health/news/78/>

**(Copy of Text)**  
**HRA Letter re Concepts-CASA Termination -**  
**Redacted**

*Wed, May 24, 2017 at 11:16 AM*

**Human Resources Administration  
Department of Social Services  
Special Services  
Home Care Service Program**

**Steven Banks Commissioner  
Daniel W. Tietz Chief Special Services Officer  
Arnold Ng Deputy Commissioner**

**785 Atlantic Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11238**

Date: May 15, 2017

Dear:

The Fiscal Intermediary services that Concepts of Independence, Inc. provides to you will end on 6/30/2017. This will not change or affect your approved homecare services or home care service plan from 7/1/2017. You will, however, have to select a new Fiscal Intermediary. In addition, your Personal Assistants must register with your new Fiscal Intermediary by June 16, 2017 in order to receive wages after June 30, 2017.

Attached please find a listing of HRA contracted Fiscal Intermediaries. You may choose any Fiscal Intermediary from this list. Please feel free to contact these Fiscal

Intermediaries for information regarding the particulars. Please note that although your service plan will not be affected under the new contract, all Fiscal Intermediaries are required by the contract to use an electronic visit verification system to record time and leave of Personal Assistants.

Upon making your selection, please contact your CASA caseworker. The caseworker will also contact you to address any concerns and assist with this transfer process and schedule an appointment to pick up your selection form. Your case will then be assigned to your selected Fiscal Intermediary. The new Fiscal Intermediary will contact you to arrange for the registration of your Personal Assistants. To ensure that your Personal Assistants receive wages beginning July 1, 2017, Personal Assistant(s) should complete the enrollment and registration processes with the new fiscal intermediary no later than June 16, 2017.

If you do not select a new Fiscal Intermediary by May 26 2017 HRA will assign you a new Fiscal Intermediary. The new Fiscal Intermediary will contact you to schedule the registration of your Personal Assistants.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

**Sincerely,  
Home Care Services Program  
Contract Division**

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**HRA SPECIAL SERVICES - HOME CARE SERVICES PROGRAM  
ALPHABETICAL ORDER CDPAP VENDOR AGENCIES**

**ACCENTCARE OF NEW YORK**

277 North Avenue, Suite 301  
New Rochelle, NY 10801  
Contact: Ana Lopez or Liza De Russo  
Tel: 914-682-3988 Fax: 914-682-4765

**CHINESE AMERICAN PLANNING**

1 York Street, 2nd Floor

New York, New York 10013  
Contact: Erik Chen 212-219-8100 Ext. 130  
Karina Lee 212-219-8100 Ext. 131  
Luis Fernandez 212-219-8100 Ext. 123  
Fax: 212-966-7371

**FEGS FED. EMPLOY. GUIDANCE SVCS.**

424 East 147<sup>th</sup> Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Bronx, New York 10455  
Contact: Ebony Quinones or Keisha Graham  
Tel: 212-491- 6000 Fax: 212-369-2337

**FIRST CHINESE PRES. COMM. AFF. H.A.**

30 Broad St., 6th Floor  
New York, New York 10004  
Contact: Jessie Roode (Bilingual English/Chinese)  
Tel: (212) 226-4962  
Contact: Cristina Guerrero (Bilingual English/Spanish)  
Tel: (212) 226-4947  
Fax: 212-885-1189 I 646-666-0658

**HAMASPIK OF ROCKLAND COUNTY, INC.**

4102 14th Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11219  
Contact: Rivky Bodner  
Tel: 718-408-6700 or 855-426-2774  
Fax: 845-503-1700

**MZL HOME CARE AGENCY. LLC**

1819 East 13th Street  
Brooklyn, NY 11229  
Contact: Iyshia Wright 718-575-9090 Ext. 114  
Silvia Grijuc 718-575-9090 Ext. 132  
Fax: 718-57 5-9099

**NY FOUNDATION SR. CIT. H.A. SVCS.**

11 Park Place, Suite 1416

New York, New York 10007  
Contact: Mariusz Zadroga or Giovanna Ramos  
Tel: 212-962-7559 Fax: 212-233-7871

**PRESTIGE/ALL SEASON H. A.**

377 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
New York, New York 10001  
Contact: Joanna Chan Tel: 212-334-5480  
Fax: 212-334-5576

**ROCKAWAY HOME ATTENDANT SVCS.**

1603 Central Avenue, Suite 200A  
Far Rockaway, New York 11691  
Contact: Otlie Wilson 718-471-5800 Ext. 110  
Fax: 718-327-0001

**ST. NICHOLAS HUMAN SUPPORT**

2 Kingsland Ave  
Brooklyn, New York 11211  
Contact: Alex Chadaev 718-388-5522 Ext. 207  
Fax: 718-388-0476

**WHITE GLOVE COMMUNITY CARE**

Brooklyn, NY 11206  
Contact: Givette Gonzalez or Maria Vasquez  
Tel: 718-828-2666 Ext. 225  
Fax: 718-782-1538

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**Consumer Name:**

**CASA: Brooklyn CASA**

**TO: NEW YORK CITY HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATION:**

I, the undersigned, am the above named consumer or the authorized representative/surrogate of the above named consumer.

By signing below, I am authorizing HRA to transfer my CDPAP services to the selected fiscal intermediary beginning 7/1/2017 (please check only ONE):

914 - Accent Care of NY Inc. / Comprehensive Home Care CDPAP

985 - All Season/Prestige CDPAP

927 -Chinese American Planning Council CDPAP

966 - FECS CDPAP

68 - First Chinese Presbyterian CDPAP

923 - Hamaspik of Rockland County CDPAP

982 - MZL Home Care Agency CDPAP

983 - NY Foundation for Senior Citizens CDPAP

986 - Rockaway CDPAP

991 - St. Nicholas CDPAP

994 - White Glove Community Care CDPAP

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship: Self / Authorized Representative**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **NYC: HRA terminating contract with Concepts of Independence**

*Tue, May 23, 2017 at 6:19 PM*

HRA has sent notices (see below) to members of CONCEPTS as a fee for service benefit informing them that starting 7/1/17, they will no longer be able to receive CDPAP through Concepts, and will have to select a new Fiscal Intermediary (FI)(this means an agency that provides CDPAP). The notice tells them that they have to pick a new FI by 5/26 or they will be auto-assigned to one.

These are people who are exempt or excluded from MLTC or managed care, generally because they are in a waiver program (OPWDD, NHTD, TBI, or in hospice at the time they applied so were excluded from MLTC). There are reportedly about 400 affected consumers.

At this time, it is not clear whether there is any possibility to stay with Concepts, or to have more time to switch FI's. A history of CONCEPTS, which started the whole [CDPAP](http://www.wnyc.com/health/entry/40/) movement back in the 1980's can be found at the very end of this article - <http://www.wnyc.com/health/entry/40/>.

See <http://edlitcher.hypermart.net/History.pdf>

Consumers can be directed to the NYC HRA Home Care Services Program at (929) 221-0848.

Concepts is organizing its consumers to protest this change. If consumers are interested getting involved, they can reach out to Mary Somoza at [atsomozamary@aol.com](mailto:atsomozamary@aol.com).

These are not ICAN cases, because there is no managed care aspect. If consumers call about this issue, please direct them to the NYC HRA Home Care Services Program at (929) 221-0848.

Thanks!

David Silva, Esq.

Program Director, ICAN

The Community Service Society

New York State's Ombudsprogram for Managed Care

## **DIA meeting dates for 2017**

General Membership Meetings are held monthly.

We meet at **Selis Manor**, 1st Floor Auditorium  
135 West 23rd Street (between 6th and 7th Avenues)

New York City

1:30 PM to 4:00 PM

### **Sunday, June 25, 2017**

*Sunday, July 16, 2017*

*Sunday, August 20, 2017*

*Sunday, September 17, 2017*

*Sunday, October 29, 2017*

*Sunday, November 19, 2017*

All DIA meetings are open to the public and are wheelchair accessible. We require that all attendees refrain from smoking, wearing any fragrance or carrying devices that beeps (turn off electronic devices or put them on vibrate), as these are all harmful to some of our members and guests. Please support our scent-free environment by abstaining from perfume and cologne! In the event of bad weather, visit [www.disabledinaction.org](http://www.disabledinaction.org) or by calling the DIA answering machine at 718-261-3737, 30 minutes after sundown on Saturday

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## **Local Independent Living Centers**

- Bronx Independent Living Services, Inc. (BILS)  
4419 Third Ave, #2C, Bronx, NY 10457  
TEL [718 515-2800 x 116](tel:7185152800) / TTY [718 515-2803](tel:7185152803) / FAX [718 515-2844](tel:7185152844)
- Brooklyn Center for Independence of the Disabled (BCID)  
27 Smith St, #200, Brooklyn, NY 11201  
TEL [718 998-3000](tel:7189983000) / TTY [718 998-7406](tel:7189987406) / FAX [718 998-3743](tel:7189983743)
- Center for Independence of the Disabled in NY (CID-NY) (Manhattan)  
841 Broadway, #301, New York, NY 10003  
TEL [212 674-2300](tel:2126742300) V / TTY [212-674-5619](tel:2126745619) / FAX [212-254-5953](tel:2122545953)
- CID-NY/Queens  
137-02A Northern Blvd, Flushing, NY 11354  
Phone: [646-442-1520](tel:6464421520) / Sorenson VP [866-948-1064](tel:8669481064) / TTY [718-886-0427](tel:7188860427) / Fax 718-886-0428
- Harlem Independent Living Center (HILC) (Manhattan)  
289 St. Nicholas Ave, #21 Lower Level, New York, NY 10027  
TEL: 212-222-7122 / Sorenson VP 646-755-3092 / Relay 866-326-5876 / FAX 212-222-7199  
[info@hilc.org](mailto:info@hilc.org)
- Staten Island Center for Independent Living (SIILC)  
470 Castleton Ave, Staten Island, NY 10301  
TEL 718-720-9016 / TTY 718-720-9870 / FAX 718-720-9664
- Long Island Center for Independent Living (LICIL) (Nassau Co)  
3601 Hempstead Turnpike, #208, Levittown, NY 11756  
TEL 516-796-0144 / TEL (Español) 516-796-6176 / TTY 516-796-0135 / FAX 516-796-0529 [licil@aol.com](mailto:licil@aol.com)
- Self Initiated Living Options, Inc. (SILO) (Suffolk Co)  
2111 Lakeland Ave, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779  
TEL 631-880-7929 / 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

# Alternative Resources

*The following resources MAY help Consumers find new Personal Care Assistant (PCA) Candidates and manage the CDPAP. (Suggestions Welcome)*

## Employment

**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

**NYC Technical College Placement Office**  
[pdc@citytech.cuny.edu](mailto:pdc@citytech.cuny.edu)  
(718) 260-5050

## Advertising

**Able Newspaper**  
Cost \$5 for each 5 word line (or part) – 30days  
Phone: 516-939-2253 [www.ablenews.com](http://www.ablenews.com)

**Backpage - Basic Cost - Free (7 days)**  
Available Updates - Auto Repost + Sponsor Ad  
(cost determined by number of weeks)  
<http://newyork.backpage.com/MedicalHealthJobs/>

**Classified Ads, Cost Free**  
<http://www.classifiedads.com/post.php>

**Craigslist, Cost \$45.00 (30 days)**  
<http://newyork.craigslist.org/>

## System Navigation

**Homecare Planning Solutions**  
<http://www.hpsny.org/learning-center/home-care/enroll-in-cdpap/>  
718-215-0926

Assistance with enrolling in a CDPAP, or questions about CDPAP,  
Call to speak with a specialist. Never any charge for their help,

**Independent Consumer Advocacy Network (ICAN)**  
ICAN helps people in New York's Managed Care Plans  
Call (844) 614-8800 TTY Relay Service: 711  
<http://icannys.org/>

**Evelyn Frank Legal Resources Program**  
Focus - Medicaid, Medicare, home care services, and public benefits issues affecting older adults & people with disabilities  
212.613.7310 Monday through Friday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm  
[EFLRP@nylag.org](mailto:EFLRP@nylag.org)

**Plan: a data entry form and page for CDPAP agencies, suggestions welcome.**