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

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

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this Newsletter will be available to as many Consumers / Advocates as possible, previously distributed Newsletters have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](#) home page.

Best Regards, Ed Litcher

### Notes

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

***Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Association of New York State***  
**9th Annual CDPAANYS Conference**  
**A two day event**  
***Expanding Consumer Direction in New York State***  
**October 18-19, 2011**  
**Desmond Hotel and Conference Center**  
**660 Albany Shaker Road, Albany, NY 12211**  
**Presentations and Registration Information Coming Soon**

**For Information on Sponsorship Opportunities and Exhibit Space**  
**Contact Executive Director Bryan O'Malley,**  
**518-813-9537**

## PCA Candidates

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

[mau87@live.com](mailto:mau87@live.com) on Tuesday, August 2, 2011 at 23:16:17

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Personal Assistant Candidate: MICHAEL UCCIARDINO

Address1: 516 HOWARD AVE

Address2: APT 1A

Address3: S.I. N.Y. 10301

Phone: [9172092181](tel:9172092181)

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

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

Hours: 7-7

Days: 3

Start Time: NOW

[Loydagarcia16@yahoo.com](mailto:Loydagarcia16@yahoo.com) on Tuesday, August 2, 2011 at 02:17:36

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Loyda Garcia

Address1: 721 E 89 St

Address2: 2 Fl

Address3: Brooklyn NY 11236

Phone: [347-770-9756](tel:347-770-9756)

Experience: Domestic/Homemaking,, Personal Care / Home Health,, Seniors,, Special Diets,, Languages

Special Diets: Tube feeding

Languages: Spanish

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

Hours: 12

Days: 60

Start Time: 8:00 am

*Reminder: Consumer Directed Services makes no representation (positive or negative) regarding the appropriateness of any PCA Candidate the Consumer may consider. Therefore, a Consumer's consideration of any of the PCA Candidates listed above or any of the Candidates referred by a PCA Employment Service does not in any way reduce or modify the Consumer's exclusive responsibility to manage the PCA evaluation and employment process.*

## Articles Related to the CDPAP

### **Attorney general, Greene County prosecutor file Medicaid fraud charges against Springfield woman.**

According to a news release today, [Attorney General Chris Koster](#) and [Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson](#) have jointly filed six counts of Medicaid fraud against Angela Deanne Adams, 40. Koster said the investigation, led by his Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, revealed that Adams worked as a "personal care attendant" through Southwest Center for Independent Living under Medicaid's Consumer Directed Services (CDS) program.

<http://www.news-leader.com/article/20110804/NEWS12/110804021/Attorney-general-Greene-County-prosecutor-file-Medicaid-fraud-charges-against-Springfield-woman?odyssey=tab|topnews|text|FRONTPAGE>

### **Changes in How 5800 Medicaid Recipients Now Enrolled in Medicaid Managed Care Plans will Receive Personal Care Services -- Starting August 1, 2011**

One of the first changes from the state budget is taking effect on Monday, August 1, 2011. On that day, all Medicaid recipients in "mainstream" [Medicaid managed care plans](#) who receive personal care (a/k/a home attendant services -- including housekeeping) will be required to receive those services through their managed care plan. In the past, these approximately 5800 individuals received most of their primary medical care through their managed care plan, but personal care/home attendant services were "carved out" of the managed care benefit package, so individuals applied for them through the local Medicaid offices (CASA offices in NYC).

**Those receiving Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) services are NOT affected as of 8/1/11. They will continue to receive services through the local district/CASA on a fee-for-service basis at least until July 1, 2012.** <http://wnylc.com/health/news/22/>

## PCA Employment Agencies

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

Fifth Avenue Committee  
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Queens Community House  
Ana Lopez-Betancourt  
108-25 62nd Drive, Forest Hills, NY 11375  
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718-898-7461 x 19

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718-723-6170

Center For Family Life Employment  
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