

August 16, 2013

To assist Consumers with the problem of finding new Personal Care Assistants, [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.ConsumerDirectedServices.com) created a FREE Employment Information Bridge between Consumers and PCA 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 your name and the text **Newsletter Request**.
- To search for a New Personal Assistant go to the [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.ConsumerDirectedServices.com) 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 PCA Candidates enrolled in the database and a variety of other Employment Resources.

- [Personal Care Assistant \(PCA\) Candidates](#)

To include your information in the Newsletter and Database, go to the [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.ConsumerDirectedServices.com) 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many Consumers / Advocates as possible, previously distributed Newsletters (**from January 12, 2011 to present**) have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.ConsumerDirectedServices.com) home page.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

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. Finally, if you try Consumer Directed Services, please spread the word. Tell your friends and associates about this **FREE** service.

Consumers Searching
Should you require additional information
Please Contact the Consumer Directly.

Jose Hernandez on Thursday, August 15, 2013 at 12:22:54

Consumer: Jose Hernandez

Phone: (347) 591-4942

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50

Consumer Gender: Male

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Quadriplegia,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Languages

Description of Languages: English or Spanish

Preferred Candidate Gender: Male

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

Hours: 12 Days: 2 Start Time: 8am/8pm

Pay Per Hour: \$ 10.00

Comments: I'm looking for a couple of aides to work 12 hours during the day on Saturday's and Sunday's as well as 12 hours at night on Saturday's and Sunday's I would prefer a person who has worked with quadriplegics although it is not required. The tenant would have to assist me with all activities of daily living which include some showering, housecleaning, cooking, laundry, etc. the agency I'm working with is called Concepts of Independence if you are registered with great if you're not it's okay. Please contact me as soon as possible because the positions are starting August 24th and the 25th.

David on Wednesday, August 7, 2013 at 15:53:56

Consumer: David

Address1: Jackson Heights, Queens **Phone: 718-213-7312**

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50 Consumer Gender: Male

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Quadriplegia,, Wheelchairs,, Other Equipment,

Description of Languages: English

Preferred Candidate Gender: Male

Required Documentation: Proof of Identity,, Recommendations

Hours: 2-12 Days: 2-5 Start Time: 8-8

Description of Schedule: I have split shift hours

Pay Per Hour: ICS

Nuria Chang on Monday, July 22, 2013 at 19:36:53

Consumer: Nuria Chang

Address1: 135West 23rd Street, New York, NY 10011

Phone: 646-415-8112

Best Time: from 2pm to 8pm

Consumer Age: Between 35 and 50 Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency - Concepts of Independence

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Attendant

Candidate Experience: Young Adults,, Visual Impairments,, Languages

Description of Languages: Bilingual - Spanish / English

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 7 Days: 5 Start Time: 9am

Description of Schedule: Total 36 hours one hour extra on Friday

Pay Per Hour: \$10 - determined by Concepts

Comments: I prefer a Candidate who is already employed as a PCA with Concepts and that they not have children. I will provide information and training as it relates to my disability and the PCA / Home Attendant tasks I require. In addition to this full time position, I am searching for a back-up PCA, so if you are not able to work as a full time employee, please call me to add your information to my back-up list.

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,

To begin this email I would like to thank you for your participation in Consumer Directed Services, but after a recent review of the list of PCA Candidates I noted that many of you provided your information to Consumer Directed Services in before August 2012

And although I hope that you will choose to continue to receive the newsletter, for you to remain an active member of the email list, I will need you to use the following link, to complete a new [Personal Assistant Enrollment Form](#), and to submit your updated information to Consumer Directed Services.

Once the information is received, your new profile will be added to the next newsletter. Should you choose not to renew your information at this time, your email address will, in the next few weeks, be removed from the list of PCA Candidates

Again thank you for your participation.

cesiae.pena829@yahoo.com on Thursday, August 15, 2013 at 10:47:19

Personal Assistant Candidate: Cesia Pena
Address1: 5 Wyndham rd
Address2: Brentwood NY 11717
Phone: 6315790833
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No
Experience: Seniors,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,, Languages
Description of Languages: spanish
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,
Certificate/License: Driver's License,
Hours per Week: 35
Preferred Start Time: 7pm
Days I Would Like to Work: Sunday:any Mon-Fri:7pm-12 Sat:2pm-12
Target Salary Per Hour: 12.00
Comments: I am Bilingual-Spanish and sign language.

simpsonslade2@aol.com on Thursday, August 15, 2013 at 08:46:12

Personal Assistant Candidate: Marlena Simpson-Slade
Address1: 770 Westfield Ave
Phone: 203-545-1024
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,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,,
Amputation,, Ventilators,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,,
Special Diets,
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,
Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Driver's License,
Hours per Week: 35
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: OPEN
Target Salary Per Hour: 13.00

drosemarie44@gmail.com on Wednesday, August 14, 2013 at 01:50:32

Personal Assistant Candidate: Rosemarie Davis
Address1: 225 rockaway Ave
Address2: brooklyn ny
Address3: usa
Phone: 3478670273
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes
Experience: Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Hemiplegia,, Lifters,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,
Description of Special Diets: kosher,diabetic,htn, soft, etc
Description of Languages: english
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations
Hours per Week: 24
Days per Week: 03
Preferred Start Time: 07:30am
Days I Would Like to Work: wednesday, thursday and friday\$10
Target Salary Per Hour: \$10

tracie809@aol.com on Saturday, August 10, 2013 at 13:33:04

Personal Assistant Candidate: Tracey Crawbuck
Address1: 1 Avenue T
Phone: 3477649499
Best Time: 3477649499
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Other Type of Position
Description of Other Type of Position: CNA
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No
Enrolled with a CDPAP: No
Experience: Seniors,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations
Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,, Driver's License,, Other,
Description of Other Certificate/License: CNA, EKG TECH, PHLEBOTOMIST
Hours per Week: 40
Days per Week: 7
Days I Would Like to Work: Open
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes

Target Salary Per Hour: 14.00

Comments: insured CNA

Ang3ia@aol.com on Friday, August 9, 2013 at 10:24:57

Personal Assistant Candidate: Angela papasergio

Address1: 80 Robertson ave

Address2: White plains, ny 10606

Phone: 914-761-8060

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: Seniors,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Special Diets,

Description of Special Diets: Diabetic diet

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

Certificate/License: Driver's License,, Other,

Description of Other Certificate/License: Certified patient care technician

Hours per Week: 40

Days per Week: 5

Preferred Start Time: 10:30 am

Days I Would Like to Work: Mon-fri

Target Salary Per Hour: 20.00

Target Salary Per Day: \$100

Target Salary Per Week: \$800.00

tweetybearluv52@yahoo.com on Thursday, August 8, 2013 at 21:27:52

Personal Assistant Candidate: ALECIA STAPLE

Address1: 2016 REGENT PL

Address2: BROOKLYN NY 11226

Phone: 3474810266

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): CONCEPT

Experience: Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Hemiplegia,, Amputation,, Ventilators,,

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

Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations
Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Home Health Aid,

sharmell1970@gmail.com) on Thursday, August 8, 2013 at 21:20:29

Personal Assistant Candidate: Renee Johnson

Address1: 704 Brook Ave.#8H

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: 5 years

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): Concepts of Independence

Experience: Young Adults,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Hemiplegia,, Amputation,,
Ventilators,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Special Diets,, Languages

Description of Languages: English

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

Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Home Health Aid,

Description of Other Certificate/License: Certified Nursing Assistant

Hours per Week: 36

Days per Week: 3

Preferred Start Time: Open

Days I Would Like to Work: Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

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

Target Salary Per Hour: 11.40

Articles Related to the CDPAP

Joined Concepts today in 1993

It was 20 years ago today (August 13, 2013) that I officially became a Consumer with Concepts of Independence, Inc. I remember it well because I purposely chose the day after my birthday (August 12) to start the program. It was the gift I would give to myself. At the time, the agency was located on the fourteenth floor of 853 Broadway. I vividly recall meeting with Edward Litcher, Concepts' Program Director at the time, in advance and asked every conceivable question. As is my nature, I wanted to understand my responsibilities thoroughly so that I could be a knowledgeable employer to my Personal (Care) Attendants. I eventually guided T.K. and Carmelo to join, telling them I would be available to answer questions and concerns.

MARILYN SAVIOLA: During the Spring of 1993, I interned at CIDNY. We spoke on a daily basis about my hesitancy in joining Concepts.

EDWARD LITCHER: He really understood the program's importance to people with severe disabilities.

SANDRA SCHNUR and IRA HOLLAND (deceased): Two visionary individuals who created Concepts and turned a dream into a reality. So many lives have been transformed by their work.

CONSTANCE LAYMON (deceased): She served as President of the Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Association of New York State (CDPAANYS) and as Director of a CDPAP in Albany. She possessed a scholarly understanding of public policy issues as pertains to the CDPAP model. I do not think I will ever meet another person with her expertise and well-informed perspectives.

It's now the responsibility of Consumer Advisory Board members to keep the agency operating with our continuous input. I must confess that the current administration really takes our suggestions seriously.

In solidarity,
Anthony Trocchia

Congratulations Anthony,

Your accomplishment proves, to all those who doubt, that Consumers can reap the real reward of personal independence by accepting and overcoming the challenges that are inherent in the CDPAP.

I wish you continued success individually as a Consumer, and as an outspoken member of the CDPAP community. Hopefully the transition to Managed Care will in no way diminish your ability to succeed or to offer your insights.

Also, I am still hopeful that you will one day share my belief that the CDPAP should be allowed to improve its ability to serve by returning to the historic source of its strength as a program directed by Consumers.

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Looking for people with disabilities who receive daily personal assistance or care
and who can share their experiences.

Join us for conversations on personal assistance/care and yummy homemade
Japanese foods!

Akemi Nishida is a disability justice activist and a disability studies professor at the City
University of New York.

Ms. Nishida is working on a project to gain better understanding of care giving and receiving in
order to fight for care justice!

Conversations last approximately 2 hours. To compensate your time, foods and a small payment
are provided.

If you receive daily personal assistance/care from paid PA/care providers and are interested in
this project, please

e-mail (anishida922@gmail.com)
or call 267-528-7478 for more information!

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
- 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
- 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
- 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](#).

Blessed Healthcare Staffing Agency, Tissha Thomas

1 Belvedere Ave, Suite A, Farmingdale, NY 11735
tithomas@bhcsa.com
(631) 390-8646

Bronxwork Inc, Kedon Wilson

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

Center For Family Life Employment, Maria Ferreira

443 39th St, Brooklyn, New York 11232
mferreira@cflsp.org
718-633-4823

El Barrio's Operation Fight, Gustavo Rosado

413 E 120th St # 403 New York, NY 10035-3602
ebobf413@aol.com
212-410-7900

Fifth Avenue Committee, Aaron Shiffman

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

Goldenhearts Elderly Care Services, Geanette Browder

244 5th Avenue, suite G256 New York, NY 10001
contact@GoldenElderlyCare.org
Phone: (866) 531-4620

Kingsborough Comm. College, Marisa Joseph

2001 Oriental Blvd, Brooklyn, NY 11235
marisa.joseph@kbcc.cuny.edu
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
meg@mercycenterbronx.org
(718) 993-2789

Reliable Homecare Solutions LLC

Contact: Reshmi Maharaj, Director
104-28 117 St, 2E, Richmond Hill New York 11419
917 378 5769
caresolutions09100@gmail.com

New York City College of Technology

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

Northern Manhattan Improvement Corp

Evan Hess
76 Wadsworth Ave, New York, NY 10033
evanhess@nmic.org
212-822-8300

Our Planet Management Institute, Lisa Ying

116 John Street, #200, New York, NY 10038
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