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October 03, 2014

On September 16<sup>th</sup> 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.*

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](mailto: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](#) 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](#) website and complete the form at the following link: [Look for a PCA Job \(FREE\) - New York City Metro](#).

Previously distributed Newsletters (**from January 12, 2011 to present**) have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](#) home page.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.

**The Consumer Form has been modified to help Consumers to become more comfortable with the search process. In addition to the form modifications, I include the following.**

*Being a member of a Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) there are a number of risks that you as the Consumer or Surrogate have been willing to accept. The most difficult risk to manage is the finding of appropriate Personal Care Assistants (PCA). Whenever you engage in a search, you open yourself to the risk of meeting new people, who are unknown to you, and who may or may not be appropriate for you. To help you manage this risk you may wish to:*

- 1. Obtain a separate free email service (like Gmail) that you could use only for your searches.*
- 2. Use an online fax and voice mail service (like Maxemail) to obtain an alternative local number telephone number. When using a service like this, the PCA candidate would call this number and leave a message. You would receive their message as an email to which you could respond when and if you choose.*
- 3. Many Consumers are concerned about strangers coming into their homes, for this reason, I have modified the address section of this form. At this point in the process all the PCA needs to know is a name (your first name or a nick name should be adequate) and they need to know approximately where you live, so they can decide if it is someplace they could or would choose to work.*

4. *When setting up your initial meeting, you may wish to meet them at an alternative location with other people present. You could choose to have someone you trust, sit in on the initial interview, to get an additional perspective that you can use when you are making your hiring decision. Finally, you may wish to consider meeting in a public place where you and the candidate can both be comfortable.*

*Note: I have personally used both Gmail and Maxemail but you may wish to consider alternatives. When making your decision you should consider the total price, the services they provide and any free promotions the companies may be offering.*

*Finally, Good Luck With Your Search.*

## **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.*

*([ashley.payton@my.uu.edu](mailto:ashley.payton@my.uu.edu)) on Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at 13:24:01*

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*Personal Assistant Candidate: Ashley Payton*

*Address1: 516 W 136th St*

*Phone: 2059140896*

*Gender: Female*

*Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health*  
*Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No*  
*Enrolled with a CDPAP: No*  
*Experience: Children,, Teens,, Seniors,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,*  
*Documentation Available: Social Security Number,*  
*Certificate/License: Driver's License,*  
*Hours per Week: 40*  
*Days per Week: 4-5*  
*Preferred Start Time: 9am*  
*Days I Would Like to Work: Monday-Friday*  
*I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes*  
*Target Salary Per Hour: 20-25*  
*Target Salary Per Week: 800*  
*Comments: I worked for two years at an assisted living home where I assisted many residents with daily task, as well as scheduled games and things to do for all of the residents.*

**[MS.BOYD512@GMAIL.COM](mailto:MS.BOYD512@GMAIL.COM) on Monday, September 29, 2014 at 13:08:43**

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*Personal Assistant Candidate: Nygeer Boyd*  
*Address1: 405 E 92nd Street Apt 11J*  
*Phone: 6463736829*  
*Gender: Female*  
*Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health*  
*Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No*  
*Experience: Children,, Teens,, Young Adults,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,,*  
*Other Equipment,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Special Diets,, Languages*  
*Description of Special Diets: low sodium diet, low-carb diet*  
*Description of Languages: Spanish*  
*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: 8pm*  
*Days I Would Like to Work: Saturday, Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Fridays*  
*I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: twice every month on the weekend*  
*Target Salary Per Hour: negotiable*

**[nalcampbell63@gmail.com](mailto:nalcampbell63@gmail.com) on Monday, September 29, 2014 at 12:27:00**

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*Personal Assistant Candidate: Nadine Campbell*  
*Address1: 109 Harbor Rd. Staten Island*

Phone: (347)772-6149

Best Time: 10AM

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: No

Experience: Children,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Amputation,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Special Diets,, Languages

Description of Special Diets: low sodium

Description of Languages: English

Description of Other: N/A

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

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

Hours per Week: 24

Days per Week: 2

Preferred Start Time: 7pm-7am

Days I Would Like to Work: Wed-Thurs/Fri-Sat

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

Target Salary Per Hour: \$12.00

Target Salary Per Day: \$120.00

Target Salary Per Week: \$328.,00

Comments: I am experienced in transferring clients from bed to wheelchairs, performing bed baths and assisting with personal hygiene, I have used the hoyer lifts, prepared meals, changed diapers, bed making and I have very good communication skills.

**[fcnewme@gmail.com](mailto:fcnewme@gmail.com) on Monday, September 29, 2014 at 10:01:30**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Falon Cooper

Address1: 1263 Findlay Ave

Address2: Apt 2

Address3: Bronx NY 10456

Phone: 917-9132-3128

Best Time: 1 pm

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Domestic / Homemaking

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: No

Experience: Seniors,, Special Diets,, Other,

Description of Special Diets: high blood pressure, soft foods,

Description of Other: mental disability

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

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

*Description of Other Certificate/License: Direct Care Aide*

*Hours per Week: 50*

*Days per Week: 6*

*Preferred Start Time: 7am*

*Days I Would Like to Work: Monday through Saturday*

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

*Target Salary Per Hour: 11*

*Target Salary Per Day: 100*

*Target Salary Per Week: 300*

*Comments: I have experience with laundry care, housekeeping, homemaking, food preparation, child care, medication reminders, transportation assistance, and companionship*

***([amybuttsbk@gmail.com](mailto:amybuttsbk@gmail.com)) on Monday, September 29, 2014 at 08:03:56***

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*Personal Assistant Candidate: Amy Butts*

*Address1: 2920 W 20TH ST, 11224*

*Best Time: any*

*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: No*

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

*Description of Special Diets: soft*

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

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

*Description of Other Certificate/License: hospice, community advocacy*

*Hours per Week: 12*

*Days per Week: 4*

*Preferred Start Time: 8-8*

*Days I Would Like to Work: Sunday - Thursday*

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

*Target Salary Per Hour: 11.00*

*Comments: • Outstanding customer service and interpersonal skills*

- Highly organized, with great attention to detail and follow through*
- Able to quickly learn new procedures and methods*
- Ability to exercises initiative, achievement, and independent judgment*

- *Dependable and able to perform without supervision*
- *Proficient in Microsoft Office: XP, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook/Type: 45WPM*

***([tpiotr101@gmail.com](mailto:tpiotr101@gmail.com)) on Sunday, September 28, 2014 at 23:16:28***

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*Personal Assistant Candidate: Teresa Piotrowski*

*Phone: 347-261-8113*

*Gender: Female*

*Description of Other Type of Position: Healthcare Administration*

*Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No*

*Enrolled with a CDPAP: No*

*Description of Languages: Russian, Polish, English*

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

*Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,, Other,*

*Description of Other Certificate/License: BS in Health Administration*

*Hours per Week: 40*

*Days per Week: 5*

*Days I Would Like to Work: M-F*

***([sierrachalrey@ymail.com](mailto:sierrachalrey@ymail.com)) on Sunday, September 28, 2014 at 22:30:29***

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*Personal Assistant Candidate: Sierra Charley*

*Address1: 2346 Newbold ave, Bronx, NY*

*Phone: 6463995126*

*Gender: Female*

*Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health*

*Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No*

*Enrolled with a CDPAP: No*

*Experience: Children,, Seniors,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,*

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

*Certificate/License: Personal Care,*

*Hours per Week: 40*

*Days per Week: 6*

*Preferred Start Time: 6am*

*Days I Would Like to Work: All*

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

*Target Salary Per Hour: 11.00*

***([vanesav2792@gmail.com](mailto:vanesav2792@gmail.com)) on Sunday, September 28, 2014 at 18:48:32***

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*Personal Assistant Candidate: Vanesa Vargas*

*Address1: 53 E Poplar St  
Phone: 631-398-7533  
Best Time: AM  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Experience: Seniors,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,, Special Diets,  
Description of Languages: Spanish and English  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Driver's License,  
Hours per Week: 45  
Days per Week: 6  
Preferred Start Time: 8  
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday-Saturday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: no  
Target Salary Per Hour: \$13*

*[lisaemery40@gmail.com](mailto:lisaemery40@gmail.com) on Sunday, September 28, 2014 at 18:30:17*

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*Personal Assistant Candidate: LISA EMERY  
Address1: 50 LINCOLN RD  
Address2: APT 3E  
Address3: BROOKLYN NY  
Phone: 929-258-6734  
Best Time: ANYTIME  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Enrolled with a CDPAP: No  
Experience: Children,, Young Adults,, Seniors,, Amputation,, Wheelchairs,, 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,  
Hours per Week: 12  
Days per Week: 5  
Preferred Start Time: now  
Days I Would Like to Work: MONDAY TO FRIDAY  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: YES  
Target Salary Per Hour: 20  
Comments: YES I WOULD BRING IT.*



[jadevasquez1988@gmail.com](mailto:jadevasquez1988@gmail.com)) on Sunday, September 28, 2014 at 18:12:58

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*Personal Assistant Candidate: Jade Vasquez*  
*Address1: 2720 Broadway*  
*Phone: 914-227-3401*  
*Best Time: 7 am-3pm*  
*Gender: Female*  
*Type of Position: Domestic / Homemaking*  
*Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No*  
*Experience: Children,, Seniors,*  
*Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,*  
*Certificate/License: Other,*  
*Description of Other Certificate/License: currently in Certified Nurse's Assistant training*  
*Hours per Week: 24*  
*Days per Week: 2*  
*Preferred Start Time: 8am*  
*Days I Would Like to Work: Sat and Sun*  
*Target Salary Per Hour: 13*

[hoshim.05@mail.ru](mailto:hoshim.05@mail.ru)) on Sunday, September 28, 2014 at 17:29:34

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*Personal Assistant Candidate: Hoshimjon Begmatov*  
*Address1: 98-25 Horace Harding Expressway*  
*Phone: 3476815425*  
*Gender: Male*  
*Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health*  
*Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No*  
*Enrolled with a CDPAP: No*  
*Experience: Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Hemiplegia,, Ventilators,, Wheelchairs,,*  
*Lifters,, Other Equipment,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Special Diets,,*  
*Languages*  
*Description of Special Diets: diabetic*  
*Description of Languages: English, Russian*  
*Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations*  
*Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,, Driver's License,*  
*Days I Would Like to Work: any*  
*I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: I am looking a night shift*

[FRANKCHENDJOU@GMAIL.COM](mailto:FRANKCHENDJOU@GMAIL.COM)) on Sunday, September 28, 2014 at 14:52:43

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*Personal Assistant Candidate: Frank CHENDJOU T*

*Address1: 133 W 145TH STREET*

*Address2: APT 52*

*Phone: 917-833-9755*

*Best Time: AM/PM*

*Gender: Male*

*Type of Position: Domestic / Homemaking*

*Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No*

*Enrolled with a CDPAP: No*

*Experience: Young Adults,, Seniors,, Other Equipment,, Special Diets,, Languages*

*Description of Special Diets: Vegetarian*

*Description of Languages: French, Spanish, German*

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

*Certificate/License: Personal Care,*

*Hours per Week: 40*

*Preferred Start Time: PM/AM*

*Days I Would Like to Work: MON-SAT*

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

*Target Salary Per Hour: 15*

*Comments*

*Fluent in French, Spanish, German*

*Education:*

*Hunter College Pre-Nursing*

*New York City College of Technology*

*2013-2014 Nursing*

*Certification: Certified Nurse Attendant*

*August 2010 Day Spring Career Institute, Indianapolis*

**[zhigalovael@gmail.com](mailto:zhigalovael@gmail.com) on Thursday, September 25, 2014 at 20:41:59**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Elena Zhigalova

Address1: 8800 Shore Front Parkway

Phone: 13472796859

Best Time: any

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: 2014

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): concepts of independence, Inc.  
Experience: Children,, Seniors,, Wheelchairs,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,  
Description of Languages: Russian, English  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations  
Certificate/License: Driver's License,  
Hours per Week: 60  
Days per Week: 3-6  
Preferred Start Time: today  
Days I Would Like to Work: to take care of somebody  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes, I do  
Target Salary Per Hour: 15

**[swanholder@gmail.com](mailto:swanholder@gmail.com)** on Saturday, September 20, 2014 at 14:35:36

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Swan Rodriguez  
Address1: 400 Convent Ave  
Address2:New York, NY 10031  
Phone: 3477921594  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No  
Experience: Children,, Seniors,, Amputation,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Mental Impairments /  
Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,  
Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,, Driver's License,  
Hours per Week: 42  
Days per Week: 5  
Preferred Start Time: 8am  
Target Salary Per Hour: 10.00

**[lisaemery40@gmail.com](mailto:lisaemery40@gmail.com)** on Friday, September 19, 2014 at 14:23:44

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Personal Assistant Candidate: LISA EMERY  
Address1: 50 LINCOLN ROAD  
Address2: APT 3E  
Phone: 929-258-6734  
Best Time: TOMORROW  
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,, Seniors,, Amputation,, Wheelchairs,, 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,, Other,

Description of Other Certificate/License: BABY NURSE

Hours per Week: 12

Days per Week: 5

Preferred Start Time: NOW

Days I Would Like to Work: MONDAY TO FRIDAY

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

Target Salary Per Hour: 20

Comments: YES I WOULD BRING THEM.

**([Heliadora@gmail.com](mailto:Heliadora@gmail.com)) on Thursday, September 18, 2014 at 12:17:46**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Heliadora Lorenzo

Phone: 917 231 6245

Best Time: anytime

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Experience: Young Adults,, Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Amputation,, Wheelchairs,

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

Certificate/License: Personal Care,

Hours per Week: 40

Days per Week: 5

Preferred Start Time: 3pm/8pm

Days I Would Like to Work: Monday through Friday

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

**Cecil Parvaiz on Thursday, September 17, 2014 at 10:15:20**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Cecil Parvaiz, LPN

**Phone: 201-658-0552**

Best Time: anytime

Gender: Male

Type of Position: LPN/Personal Care / Home Health

Experience: Quadriplegia, Wheelchairs, Ventilator, Tracheotomy, Bed-Sore Prevention

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

Certificate/License: LPN

Comment: Recommended By:

Norma MT Braun, MD, FACP, FCCP  
Ombudswoman  
Clinical Professor of Medicine  
Icahn School of Medicine  
Mt. Sinai Health System  
Senior Attending  
Department of Medicine  
Pulmonary/Critical Care/Sleep Division  
St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospitals

An excellent LPN with vast experience & patient advocate has just become available because his patient (& mine) died after more than 12 years. This man was a quadriplegic on a vent via tracheotomy who needed total care: never had a bed sore; always stable & even happy. I cannot recommend Cecil more highly. Only problem he is not e-connected.

**[bayaraxel@gmail.com](mailto:bayaraxel@gmail.com) on Thursday, September 11, 2014 at 22:58:21**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Axel Bayard

Address1: 1362 New York Avenue

Address2: Apt 3F

Address3: Brooklyn NY11210

Phone: 3473035134

Gender: Male

Type of Position: Other Type of Position

Description of Other Type of Position: LPN

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: No

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

Description of Special Diets: MECHANICAL SOFT, PUREED, THICKENED LIQUID

Description of Languages: Creole, French, English, Spanish(intermediate

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

Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,, LPN or PN,, Driver's License,

Days per Week: 3-5

Preferred Start Time: ASAP

Days I Would Like to Work: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

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

Comments: With regards to salary I am willing to consider the wage set by the agency paying for my service.

## Articles Related to the CDPAP

### Take Action Now to delay the FLSA Companionship rules!

The White House and United States Department of Labor (DOL) are considering right now whether to delay the implementation of new rules that would require full overtime for personal assistants when they work over 40 hours per week. If we are going to prevent a crisis in continuity of care and worker shortages, it is critical that DOL take action and delay the effective date of the new rule.

<http://cdpaanys.org/>

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### **Concepts of Independence Annual Gala - Thursday, October 30, 2014**

**Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge.** - 333 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201

(between Johnson and Fulton St)

Educational Workshop will be from 2pm – 4pm & Gala from 4pm – 8pm

Cost of each Ticket is:

- Full Price - \$125
- Consumer - \$50
- Personal Assistant - \$50
- Surrogate or Family Member - \$100

**Deadline - October 3, 2014 - visit <http://concepts.eventbee.com> to purchase tickets.**

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Contact: Meghan Taylor, Executive Assistant

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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)  
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[info@hilc.org](mailto:info@hilc.org)
- Staten Island Center for Independent Living (SIILC)  
470 Castleton Ave, Staten Island, NY 10301  
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- Long Island Center for Independent Living (LICIL) (Nassau Co)  
3601 Hempstead Turnpike, #208, Levittown, NY 11756  
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- Self Initiated Living Options, Inc. (SILO) (Suffolk Co)  
2111 Lakeland Ave, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779  
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- Westchester Independent Living Center (WILC) (Westchester/White Plains)  
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## 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](#).*

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**Bronxwork Inc, Kedon Wilson**  
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(718) 993-8880 ext. 237

**Center For Family Life Employment, Maria Ferreira**  
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718-633-4823

**El Barrio's Operation Fight, Gustavo Rosado**  
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212-410-7900

**Fifth Avenue Committee, Aaron Shiffman**  
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[ashiffman@fifthave.org](mailto:ashiffman@fifthave.org)  
718-237-2017

**Goldenhearts Elderly Care Services, Geanette Browder**  
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Phone: (866) 531-4620

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**Konedu Home Care, LLC, Carie Jones Smith**  
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