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On September 16th 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 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Previously distributed Newsletters (**from January 12, 2011 to present**) have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](#) home page.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.

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.

Consumers please submit your information using the following link:

[Consumer / Advocate - Search for a PCA Candidate](#)

(Tolliver7@nyc.rr.com) on Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at 06:39:47

Consumer: BETTY TOLLIVER
Address1: 546 MAIN ST.
Address2: APT. 1111
Address3: ROOSEVELT ISLAND. 10044
Phone: 212 5931882
Email Authorization: Yes
Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70
Consumer Gender: Female
Payroll Method: Agency
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health
Candidate Experience: Paraplegia,, Ventilators,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Languages
Description of Languages: ENGLISH ONLY
Preferred Candidate Gender: Female
Required Documentation: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,,
Recommendations

Hours: 6-12

Start Time: 8-8

Description of Schedule: FLEXIBLE

Pay Per Hour: 10-11-30

Comments: CONCEPTS PCA ONLY APPLY.

NON SMOKERS, MATURE, FEMALE, AND EXPERIENCE PCA WANTED.
ASAP

Alan Herzog - Tuesday, October 08, 2013 at 17:45

Consumer: Alan Herzog

Address1: 4-21 27th Avenue, Astoria, NY 11102

Phone: [718-545-0772](tel:718-545-0772) – Leave a voice message with best time to return call

Best Time: after 12pm

Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70 Consumer Gender: Male

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health, and Domestic / Homemaking

Candidate Experience: Seniors, Total Blindness

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

Hours: 5 Days: 5

Start Time: 12pm

Description of Schedule:

Monday thru Friday

Description of Schedule: **I am looking for a back up PCA**

Comments: I am totally blind and need someone who is willing to work with and learn about my special needs as a person who cannot see. The candidate must be willing to communicate with me by phone regarding job related issues. I require punctuality. This means that the PCA must be able to arrive on time when I call upon her to work, and they need to consider traveling time to insure that they will arrive when needed.

I am authorized 25 hours a week - 5 hours a day, Monday through Friday. I am connected with Concepts of Independence, which means that I hire the person and she gets paid by Medicaid through Concepts. To speed the hiring process the candidate **MUST** already be signed up with Concepts

My requirements include, cooking, cleaning, laundry, escorting me places such as the doctor's office or other places that I may need to go. One of the special requirements I have is reading mail as I can't do it myself. Also, given my need to go to appointments, candidates with a car will get special consideration.

As I said above, I am looking for a back up PCA, therefore I need someone who I can call upon with short notice as I may find out that my full time PCA cannot work either the day before or the same day. I know this is probably difficult but I can only work with the circumstances as they are presented to me.

dwinchester258@gmail.com on Tuesday, October 8, 2013 at 13:49:41

Consumer: Dan Winchester
Address1: 332 East 29th Street, 8-H
Address2: New York NY 10016
Phone: Text only (917)496-4671
Best Time: Day/Eves
Email Authorization: Yes
Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70
Consumer Gender: Male
Payroll Method: Agency
Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health
Candidate Experience: Young Adults,, Wheelchairs,, Visual / Auditory
Impairments,
Preferred Candidate Gender: Male
Required Documentation: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,,
Recommendations
Hours: 12 Days: 6-7
Start Time: 8:00 AM
Description of Schedule: Immediate temporary - 10/12 until 10/28
Pay Per Day: \$100.00
Comments: Must be reliable, honest, discreet and prompt. Must be part of
Concepts. Need assistance in daily tasks such as dressing, feeding, showering and
keeping apartment clean and orderly. Need to be accompanied to various meetings,
appointments or other destinations. I'm Deaf but a good lip-reader & have cerebral
palsy since birth.

gooney718@aol.com) on Thursday, October 3, 2013 at 02:05:29

Consumer: Alex Elegudin

Address1: 2652 Cropsey Ave

Address2: Brooklyn, NY

Phone: 7187576906

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Between 21 and 30

Consumer Gender: Male

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Young Adults,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,

Preferred Candidate Gender: Male

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

Hours: 3

Days: 3

Description of Schedule: Saturday & Sunday morning. One night during week.

Pay Per Day: \$75

Comments: Looking for someone with flexible schedule.

Saturday & Sunday 9a-12p.

One night during week 10p-1a.

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.*

amybuttsbk@gmail.com on Friday, November 1, 2013 at 07:00:59

Personal Assistant Candidate: Amy Butts

Address1: 740 E 178TH ST APT 12I

Phone: 7188394820

Best Time: 7188394820

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: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): Chiense American Planning

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

Description of Languages: english

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

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

Description of Other Certificate/License: hospice

Hours per Week: 40

Days per Week: 6

Preferred Start Time: 9

Days I Would Like to Work: mon -sat

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

Target Salary Per Hour: 11.00

Comments: reliably, trust, communication, heart, ear and shoulder went needed very multitask respect ...you can count on me

nyzewev@yahoo.com on Thursday, October 31, 2013 at 08:16:10

Personal Assistant Candidate: Nicanor Cabatuan

Address1: 2812 49th St., Asrtoria

Address2: New York 11103

Phone: 7187448634

Best Time: anytime

Gender: Male

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No

Consumer/Surrogate References Available: No

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): All Metro Home Healthcare

Experience: Seniors,, Wheelchairs,
Description of Languages: english, tagalo
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations
Certificate/License: Home Health Aid,
Hours per Week: 20
Days per Week: 3-4
Days I Would Like to Work: Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: no
Target Salary Per Hour: \$15
Comments: I have more than five years of experience as aide/companion in both private homes and facilities

Raya640@aol.com on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 at 21:35:44

Personal Assistant Candidate: Novlette Barnes
Address1: 1029 Elder ave
Address2: Apt1r Bronx NY
Address3: 10472
Phone: 3473393581
Gender: Female
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: No
Enrolled with a CDPAP: No
Experience: Wheelchairs,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Languages
Description of Languages: English
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations
Certificate/License: Driver's License,, Other,
Description of Other Certificate/License: Cna
Hours per Week: 40
Days per Week: 4
Preferred Start Time: ASAP
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday to Thursday
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: Yes
Target Salary Per Hour: \$15
Comments: I am a Cna with over 10 years of experience , I am currently working with one person for 9 years part time

tortmommyli@gmail.com on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 at 11:42:49

Personal Assistant Candidate: Patricia Hayward
Address1: 44 Bogota Road

Address2: Mastic Beach NY 11951

Phone: 631-748-7133

Best Time: 9am-2pm

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: 3

Enrolled with a CDPAP: Yes

CDPAP Agency Name(s): South Shore Home Health Oakdale NY

Experience: Young Adults,, Seniors,, Quadriplegia,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Other Equipment,

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

Certificate/License: Driver's License,

Days I Would Like to Work: open- either part time or full time

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

Target Salary Per Hour: 13.11

Comments: I have a total of 18 yrs exp in the field & 11 yrs on this program. I have worked with Anthony Lupo who was instrumental in bringing this program to Suffolk County where I live. I am looking for a part time or full time case in central/eastern Suffolk County. Most of my exp. is with male quadraplegics.

bg085422@gmail.com on Friday, October 25, 2013 at 14:49:05

Personal Assistant Candidate: Biddiawatie Ganga

Address1: 39-15 62 street

Address2: apt41

Address3: woodside ny 11377

Phone: 917-593-2877

Best Time: morning

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 off Independence

Experience: Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Hemiplegia,, Amputation,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Other Equipment,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,

Description of Languages: english hindi.urdu,dutch

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

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

Description of Other Certificate/License: cna

Hours per Week: 40
Days per Week: 7
Preferred Start Time: aspa
Days I Would Like to Work: monday to sunday
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes
Target Salary Per Hour: \$12
Target Salary Per Day: \$140
Target Salary Per Week: \$1000

sheridan4ever@yahoo.com on Friday, October 25, 2013 at 14:37:15

Personal Assistant Candidate: sheridan boodram
Address1: 103-58 105 street
Address2: ozone park queens
Address3: new york 11417
Best Time: 347 355 51
Gender: Female
Description of Other Type of Position: personal care home health
Worked with a CDPAP Consumer/Surrogate: Yes
Years Employed with a Consumer/Surrogate: 3/12
Enrolled with a CDPAP: No
Experience: Children,, Young Adults,, Wheelchairs,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations
Certificate/License: Personal Care,, Home Health Aid,, Driver's License,
Hours per Week: 40
Days per Week: 6
Preferred Start Time: 8am
Days I Would Like to Work: Monday to Saturday
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes
Target Salary Per Hour: 15
Target Salary Per Day: 150.
Comments: Experience reliable honest reference available upon request

Articles Related to the CDPAP

Focus group (group conversation) with care givers who provide care for disabled adults at their homes/apartments

My name is Akemi Nishida, a graduate student of critical social psychology and a professor of disability studies at CUNY. I am conducting dissertation project where I am looking into relationships between care givers and their clients in order to improve quality of care for both of them. As I have worked as a care giver for babies/children, disabled people, and elderly people, I decided to work on this project.

I am hosting a focus group (group conversation) on care with **care givers who provide care for disabled adults at their homes/apartments (NOT in group homes).**

Conversations will happen on Nov 20th (Wed), 5:00- 7:00 pm OR Nov 21st (Thu), 5:00-7:00 pm (dinner to follow). It is happening at CUNY graduate center (Rm 6304.02 365 Fifth ave, Manhattan, NY 10016) which is at the corner of 34th st and 5th ave.

Homemade dinner and a little monetary compensation will be provided.

If you are interested in, please email me at anishida922@gmail.com or call me at [267-528-7478](tel:267-528-7478). If you know any agency I should reach out, please let me know...

Thanks, Akemi Nishida
Ph.D candidate, Critical Social Personality Psychology,
The Graduate Center, The City University of New York

TEMPORARY FOOD STAMP INCREASE EXPIRES ON 10/31

The federal 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act's (ARRA) temporary increase to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or food stamps, ends on October 31, 2013. As of November 1, 2013, households will see a reduction in monthly benefits in New York City and across the nation.

» For more information, visit the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance.
<http://otda.ny.gov/programs/snap/notice.asp>

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@koneduhomocare.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

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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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