

December 21, 2012

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](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](#). As of the above date, **566** Personal Assistant Candidates have already been enrolled.

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many Consumers / Advocates as possible, previously distributed Newsletters (**from January 12, 2011 to present**) have been archived on the [Consumer Directed Services](http://www.ConsumerDirectedServices.com) home page.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](mailto: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](http://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.*

**([jee193@gmail.com](mailto:jee193@gmail.com)) on Monday, December 10, 2012 at 15:39:48**

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Consumer: Jan Ellis

Address1: 527 West 47th Street

Address2: Apt 5E

Address3: NY, NY 10036

Phone: [\(212\) 489-9320](tel:2124899320)

Best Time: 10 a.m.

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,, Wheelchairs,, Special Diets,

Description of Special Diets: vegetarian

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

Required Documentation: Social Security Number,, Recommendations

Hours: 8-8 Days: 3

Start Time: 8 a.m.

Description of Schedule: The schedule's flexible

Pay Per Hour: \$9.50

**([BETTY10044@VERIZON.NET](mailto:BETTY10044@VERIZON.NET)) on Friday, November 30, 2012 at 13:54:26**

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Consumer: BETTY TOLLIVER

Address1: 546 MAIN ST

Address2: APT. 1111

Address3: 546 MAIN ST

Phone: [212-593-1882](tel:2125931882)

Consumer Age: Between 51 and 70

Consumer Gender: Female

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Seniors,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,

Description of Languages: ENGLISH ONLY

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

**[ermaa2001@yahoo.com](mailto:ermaa2001@yahoo.com)** on November 25, 2012 at 16:43:15

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Consumer: Mr. Laxman

Address1: 1919 24 Ave

Address2: Astoria, NY

Phone: [347-639-0166](tel:347-639-0166)

Best Time: afternoon

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50

Consumer Gender: Male

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

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

Preferred Candidate Gender: Male

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

Hours: 12 Days: 7

Start Time: 8 to 8

Pay Per Hour: \$9 - \$10

Comments: CDPAP through ICS concepts program. **Consumer is looking four PCA Candidates to fill his dual shift (2 X 12) 7 day a week authorization.**

**[gooney718@aol.com](mailto:gooney718@aol.com)** on Sunday, November 25, 2012 at 16:46:47

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Consumer: Alex Elegudin

Address1: 1919 24th Avenue

Address2: Astoria, NY

Phone: [7187576906](tel:7187576906)

Best Time: Anytime

Email Authorization: Yes

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50

Consumer Gender: Male

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Young Adults,, Quadriplegia,, Wheelchairs,

Preferred Candidate Gender: Male

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

Hours: 8-12

Days: 5-7

Description of Schedule: Day time and night time shifts available.

Pay Per Hour: TBD

Comments: Flexible. Weekday or weekend shifts available. Day and night time shifts available.

Queens residence preferred, not required. Salary to be determined.

**John Ramirez - Wednesday, November 21, 2012 at 07:01:57**

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Consumer: John Ramirez

Address1: 65-35 108 St

Address2: Forest Hills NY 11375

Phone: [718-530-5025](tel:718-530-5025)

Best Time: Mornings

Consumer Age: Between 31 and 50

Consumer Gender: Male

Payroll Method: Self Pay

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Quadriplegia,, Languages

Description of Languages: English, Spanish

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

Required Documentation: Proof of Identity,

Description of Schedule: Varies mainly Fridays possibly more

Comments: Salary will be determined when agreement is in place.

**Mrs. Crosby - Thursday, November 8, 2012 at 17:00:37**

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Consumer: Mrs. Crosby

Address1: Brooklyn N.Y. 11207

Phone: [718-606-5543](tel:718-606-5543)

Best Time: 9am-7pm

Consumer Age: Younger than 21

Consumer Gender: Male

Payroll Method: Agency

Type of Candidates: Personal Care / Home Health

Candidate Experience: Children,, Wheelchairs,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,,  
Languages

Description of Languages: Eng

Preferred Candidate Gender: Female

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

Hours: 8 Days: 3 Start Time: 3pm-11pm Pay Per Hour: 10-11

Comments: Pca must be patient, dependable, reliable, Must be experience w/ special needs  
population Must love Cleaning.

## ***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.*

**[michkerr77@hotmail.com](mailto:michkerr77@hotmail.com) on Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at 11:12:59**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Michelle Reynolds

Address1: 1491 Metropolitan Ave 6e

Address3: Bronx, NY 10462

Phone: 646-545-7147

Best Time: anytime

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

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

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

Hours per Week: 60

Days per Week: 5

Preferred Start Time: anytime

Days I Would Like to Work: Monday to Friday and sometimes weekends

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

Target Salary Per Hour: 15.00

Comments: MICHELLE REYNOLDS

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**[MICKERR77@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:MICKERR77@HOTMAIL.COM)**

OBJECTIVE: TO OBTAIN A POSITION WITHIN THE MEDICAL FIELD WHERE I CAN USE MY CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT SKILLS.

**[stephanievachon91@gmail.com](mailto:stephanievachon91@gmail.com) on Monday, December 17, 2012 at 16:36:02**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Stephanie vachon

Address1: 2926 west 25 st

Address2: brooklyn ny 11224

Address3: apt 1004e

Phone: 13473598074

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Experience: Young Adults,, Seniors,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,  
Description of Special Diets: thickner  
Description of Languages: creole  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,, Recommendations  
Hours per Week: open  
Days per Week: 5  
Preferred Start Time: open  
Days I Would Like to Work: tuesday - saturday  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: yes  
Target Salary Per Hour: open  
Target Salary Per Day: open  
Target Salary Per Week: open  
Comments: I am a certified CNA , certified first aid and cpr and customer service training....

**[nataki3@gmail.com](mailto:nataki3@gmail.com) on Saturday, December 15, 2012 at 10:12:16**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: michelle franklin  
Address1: 79 amboy street brooklyn ny  
Phone: [347 264 1690](tel:3472641690)  
Best Time: 10am  
Gender: Female  
Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health  
Experience: Seniors,, Paraplegia,, Quadriplegia,, Amputation,, Wheelchairs,, Lifters,, Mental Impairments / Alzheimer's Disease,, Visual / Auditory Impairments,  
Description of Special Diets: diabetic,hypertention  
Description of Languages: english  
Documentation Available: Social Security Number,, Proof of Identity,  
Hours per Week: 40  
Days per Week: 5  
Preferred Start Time: 9am  
Days I Would Like to Work: mon to fri or sat  
I am willing to work a 24 Hour Sleep-In schedule: no  
Target Salary Per Hour: 12  
Comments: hello my name is michelle fanklin i have been a home health aide for the past 12 years. i have worked for the sam agency for that period o time.i hav expience with different clients.

**[shaquaysha.rembert@yahoo.com](mailto:shaquaysha.rembert@yahoo.com) on Friday, December 14, 2012 at 19:44:50**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: shaquaysha rembert

Address1: 2085 rockaway parkway

Address2: 2b

Phone: [9178082090](tel:9178082090)

Best Time: 1:30pm

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

Experience: Children,, Wheelchairs,

Description of Languages: english

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

Hours per Week: 15

Days per Week: 10

Preferred Start Time: 8:30

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: 12

Target Salary Per Day: 22

Target Salary Per Week: 35

**[michabur@juno.com](mailto:michabur@juno.com) on Friday, December 20, 2012 at 20:15:35**

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Personal Assistant Candidate: Maria Ibeth Chabur

Address1: 24-55 27th Street Apt 2B

Address2: Astoria, Ny 11102

Phone: (917) 853-6446

Best Time: All Day

Gender: Female

Type of Position: Personal Care / Home Health

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

Description of Special Diets: Low Sodium, Diabetes, Soft and Blended meals

Description of Languages: English and spanish

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

Hours per Week: 24

Days per Week: 3

Preferred Start Time: 7:00 AM

Days I Would Like to Work: Monday through Thursday

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

Target Salary Per Hour: \$12.00

Comments: I have the ability to manage prescriptions, food and supply shopping, and bank accounts/payments. I can help with the computer. I can help check and answer emails. I know the dragon reading system.

## *Articles Related to the CDPAP*

### **Subject: Medicaid Expansion, Disproportionate Share Hospital Payments, and a Train Wreck Waiting to Happen.**

Date: Wed, 19 Dec 2012 14:14:21 -0500

The Affordable Care Act has many pieces. Some of the pieces are interdependent. This Information Bulletin deals with two of those pieces to explain their interdependence and why it is important to you.

When Congress enacted the Affordable Care Act in 2010, one provision (Medicaid Expansion) required Medicaid be provided to people who had not been previously eligible and whose incomes were under 133% of the federal poverty level, about \$14,856 for a single person and \$30,657 for a family of four.

This mandatory Medicaid Expansion would have impacted approximately 21.3 million low-income people nationwide, beginning in January 2014.

Another provision of the Affordable Care Act significantly reduced what was known as Medicaid payments to "Disproportionate Share Hospitals" (DSH). These were federal Medicaid reimbursements made annually to States for those hospitals that provided a significant amount of health care and service to many persons whose incomes had placed them above Medicaid, but who did not have private health insurance. At least 51% of these payments will be eliminated under the ACA by 2019.

Medicaid DSH payments pretty much covered the same 21.3 million people Medicaid Expansion was intended to have covered.

In 2010, when Congress enacted the ACA, Medicaid Expansion would have been mandatory on the States. The States would have had to provide Medicaid to the 21.3 million people. In return, the federal government would have paid 100% coverage of the costs of the 21.3 million for the first three year years and about 90% for the next three years.

Mandatory Medicaid Expansion has virtually no incremental cost to the States. It has been estimated that between 2013 and 2012 the federal share of the expansion to all States would be \$800 billion and the States' share \$8 billion.

Here's how the DSH and the mandatory Medicaid Expansion were intended to be interdependent. With the enactment of the ACA, these 21.3 million people would have become Medicaid recipients and would have received services and care from the hospitals, which would



then not need to have been reimbursed with DSH payments. As regular Medicaid recipients, no DSH reimbursement would have been necessary because States and then hospitals would have received direct Medicaid hospital reimbursement for these 21.3 million people.

Then came the 2012 U.S. Supreme Court decision that held that Congress could not require States to implement Medicaid Expansion (even though it would cost the States virtually no State funds). What the Court did not deal with was that ACA had virtually eliminated DSH payments.

Lo and behold, your hospitals can get royally shafted if your State does not opt to participate in the Medicaid Expansion.

How? The States and then the hospitals will not receive either the DSH payments for these 21.3 million people that they had received prior to the ACA. If a State does not opt for Medicaid Expansion, these same 21.3 million people will still go to hospitals that must treat them, but the hospitals will not receive Medicaid reimbursement. Neither Medicaid nor DSH payments.

For the hospitals and therefore for States that do not provide Medicaid Expansion, this is a train wreck waiting to happen.

What's the answer? States must provide for Medicaid Expansion so that hospitals can receive Medicaid reimbursements for care and services they provide to these 21.3 million people.

Unfortunately, many States appear to be considering not voluntarily participating in Medicaid Expansion. We cannot believe that those States have factored in the DSH losses to their hospitals. From purely a financial viewpoint, States will significantly benefit if they expand Medicaid and ensure hospitals receive Medicaid reimbursement for the care and services they provide to the 21.3 million people.

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\*Disability and Elderly Advocates\*:

1. Get to your statewide Hospital Assoc. They have paid lobbies that know how to work the political process. Join their efforts to convince your Governors and State legislators to enact Medicaid Expansion. Timing is critical since State budgets are being planned NOW for 2014.
2. Most newspapers, etc. do NOT understand how the ACA s Medicaid Expansion fits together with the DSH payments. Explain it to them.

Governors in the following States have threatened not to expand Medicaid in 2014. We are not sure how much is just huffing and puffing. Here are the approximate \*annual \*DSH Medicaid funds their States have received and potentially will lose, if Medicaid Expansion does NOT

occur in these States.

**\*ANNUAL MEDICAID DSH PAYMENTS TO (SELECTED) STATES:\***

Alabama \$445,819,332  
Arkansas \$61,416,819  
Connecticut \$162,627,439  
Florida \$241,187,904  
Indiana \$121,122,632  
Kansas \$46,807,379  
Kentucky \$173,659,743  
Louisiana \$770,957,650  
Michigan \$338,776,418  
Mississippi \$204,084,644  
Missouri \$525,857,264  
Nebraska \$47,698,173  
Nevada \$95,232,395  
New Jersey \$975,416,270  
New Mexico \$28,851,260  
Oklahoma \$40,706,148  
Ohio \$566,951,426  
Pennsylvania \$534,244,593  
Rhode Island \$122,720,991  
New Jersey \$930,234,696  
South Carolina \$415,604,650  
Tennessee \$151,396,268  
Texas \$1,286,627,916  
Utah \$25,914,531  
Virginia \$192,435,368  
West Virginia \$55,087,700  
Nationwide \$15,019,365,273

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or call [215-627-7100](tel:215-627-7100). Ext 227.

Steve Gold, The Disability Odyssey continues

Back issues of other Information Bulletins are available online at  
<http://www.stevegoldada.com>

## **Local Independent Living Centers**

- Bronx Independent Living Services, Inc. (BILS)  
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- 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 (31-880-7929 / 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

## **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](mailto:tithomas@bhcsa.com)  
(631) 390-8646

Bronxwork Inc, Kedon Wilson  
391 E 149th St, Bronx, NY 10455  
[kwilson@bronxworks.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:ebobf413@aol.com)  
212-410-7900

Fifth Avenue Committee, Aaron Shiffman  
621 DeGraw Street, Brooklyn, New York 11217  
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718-237-2017

Kingsborough Comm. College, Marisa Joseph  
2001 Oriental Blvd, Brooklyn, NY 11235  
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718-368-5563

Konedu Home Care, LLC, Carie Jones Smith  
140 Captain Thomas Blvd West Haven, CT 06516  
[helpingfamilies@koneduhomocare.com](mailto:helpingfamilies@koneduhomocare.com)  
Phone: [800 418-3299](tel:8004183299)

Mercy Center, Mary Ellen Gianino  
377 East 145th Street, Bronx NY 10454-1006  
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(718) 993-2789

New York City College of Technology  
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300 Jay St, Brooklyn, NY 11201  
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(718) 260-5050

Northern Manhattan Improvement Corp  
Evan Hess  
76 Wadsworth Ave, New York, NY 10033  
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212-822-8300

Our Planet Management Institute, Lisa Ying  
116 John Street, #200, New York, NY 10038  
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Supreme Aid Home Care, LLC  
Contact: Anna Basel - Owner  
37-53, 90th St, Suite 16 Jackson Heights, NY, 11372  
[info@supremeaidhomecare.com](mailto:info@supremeaidhomecare.com) [347-421-2045](tel:3474212045)

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