

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANT (PCA) QUALITY HOME CARE
WORKFORCE COUNCIL

Pursuant to the provisions of the Acts of 2023, Chapter 77, § 30, Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell is seeking applicants for an appointment to the Personal Care Attendant (PCA) Quality Home Care Workforce Council a/k/a the PCA Workforce Council. **This appointee must be a consumer or a surrogate for a consumer receiving waiver personal care services under the MassHealth Moving Forward Plan--Community Living waiver program.**

The PCA Workforce Council is a governmental body within the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS), but not subject to the control of EOHHS.

Vision Statement of the Council: The mission of the Council, *to insure the quality of long-term, in-home, personal care by recruiting, training and stabilizing the work force of personal care attendants*, requires a commitment from all Council members and staff to the following principles:

- Ensuring consumer control of the PCA program and the training and employment of PCAs; control by consumers being essential to the independence, dignity and self-sufficiency the PCA program is meant to achieve.
- Diligently representing the interests of consumers as employers and further those interests by assisting to resolve policies and procedures brought to the Council's attention that creates impediments for consumers as employers.
- Supporting and implementing training methods and policies that increase the skills and knowledge base of PCAs and consumers.
- Assisting PCAs to achieve increased wages, benefits, advancement opportunities and other benchmarks of respected, dignified employment.
- Promoting policies that insure that consumers exercise their rights with integrity and in a responsible manner.
- Making a continuing dialogue with the consumer community a priority.

The term for this appointment is three (3) years. Appointees are eligible for reappointment.

Meetings are usually held every other month on Tuesday afternoons from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. via Zoom, with a break in the summer.

Members of the PCA Workforce Council serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for their expenses actually and necessarily incurred in the performance of their official duties.

More information about this Council may be found at the links below:

<https://malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/PartI/TitleXVII/Chapter118E/Section71>

<https://www.mass.gov/orgs/personal-care-attendant-workforce-council>

<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/pca-workforce-council-brochure>

Persons interested in being considered for appointment to the Personal Care Attendant (PCA) Quality Home Care Workforce Council should send a letter of interest and résumé to GCOMailbox@mass.gov.