

You and PCA

Whether you want to be a home provider or Dom Care consumer, PCA can be there to help.

Matches are made with input from consumers, home providers and Dom Care staff. Consumers and home providers meet one another before a trial visit is arranged. Once a match is made, care managers work closely with providers and consumers so that the placement remains mutually beneficial.

Eligibility

Consumer eligibility for participation in the program is determined by a thorough assessment completed by PCA's Long Term Care Access Department. To begin the enrollment process, call the PCA Helpline at 215-765-9040.

Interested home providers must complete a certification process to assure that homes meet fire, health and safety regulations. Providers must also:

- · Have criminal history clearances
- Have satisfactory financial, medical and personal references
- Attend on-going training sessions
- Work as a team member with care managers and consumers

Payment to providers

Dom Care consumers pay the home provider directly each month—a rate set annually by the Pennsylvania Department of Aging. Many consumers are eligible for the state Dom Care income supplement. Philadelphia Corporation for Aging (PCA), a private, non-profit Area Agency on Aging, was established in 1973 to coordinate social services for Philadelphians who are older or who have disabilities and to assist them in achieving optimum levels of health, independence, and productivity. One of the region's largest non-profit organizations, PCA is funded in part by the federal Older Americans Act, Medical Assistance, and the Pennsylvania Lottery, all channeled through the Pennsylvania Department of Aging.

Guided by its Board of Directors and an Advisory Council, PCA employs more than 500 people and contracts with over 100 community organizations and service providers to deliver a variety of services to more than 100,000 older Philadelphians and people with disabilities each year.



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DOM CARE









Jerlee is a Dom Care home provider. She provides a home for two men who might otherwise have to live in an institution or without a supportive caregiver.

Dom Care (Domiciliary Care) is a program that matches families and individuals with adults who are in need of caring, supportive homes. The program is sometimes referred to as the "Helping Homes Program."

As a Dom Care home provider, you'll provide support to an adult individual, 18 and older, unable to live independently because of a physical or mental disability. You will also be responsible for most of the consumer's daily needs, like food, laundry, personal hygiene and medicine administration.

You will also receive a monthly stipend for each individual you support (limited to three consumers).

Perhaps you live alone and would like some company. Dom Care provides that and more. Just ask Jerlee...

"I get a spiritual feeling out of sharing my home and helping others."

To learn more about how you can become a home provider, call 215-765-9000, ext. 4437

Dignity and Independence for Dom Care Consumers

Dale is a Dom Care consumer.

He and another consumer live with Jerlee. Dale has his own bedroom and his own telephone.



"I like staying here. I like the independence I get. Jerlee is a very nice woman." Dale is now happy living in Jerlee's home. But it wasn't always that way.

"I didn't much care for where I lived before, but it was a place to stay. And since I've been here, I'm doing well."

Besides independence, dignity, and a warm and safe home, Dale receives:

- Help with housekeeping and laundry
- Assistance with personal hygiene
- Supervision of medicine administration
- Assistance with medical appointments
- Three nutritious meals a day
- Lots of attention and support

To those who might benefit from Dom Care, Dale offers this advice: "Just hold your head up and everything will look up and be better."

Let Dom Care Help

If you or someone you know might benefit from Dom Care, call PCA Helpline at 215-765-9040.

"I am very happy and proud to be a part of Dom Care." - Jerlee



"It's a nice place to stay.

It feels like home."

- Dale