Carina.org

An easy-to-use website where individuals seeking home care can match with care professionals.

CLC Network Meeting
Wednesday February 15th 2023
Agenda

● About Carina
● Carina's home care matching Services
● Resources For Individual Providers
● Q & A
About Carina
Carina's Story

Home Care Workers Form a Union
WA Home care workers joined together as a labor union to advocate for better conditions and wages.

Home Care Workers Build Carina
Unionized WA home care workers (SEIU 775) won a new contract benefit to launch Carina.

Connecting People for Care and Work
Carina launched in WA, with 18K users to date. We have matched workers 5K+ good care jobs resulting in $14MM in wages.

Expanding to Private Pay
Carina includes consumers looking to pay out of pocket in King Co., supported by the Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS).

Connecting Families to Child Care
In response to the pandemic and child care crisis, we expanded our care matching service to include child care in WA, CA, IL, CT and MA.

Expanded To Oregon
Carina launched in Oregon for Medicaid providers and consumers to match for home care and will be rolling out across the state in 2023.
Carina's Free Matching Service

We are a nonprofit that believes communities are stronger when all people, regardless of income, can easily and safely access quality care. We connect home care seekers with potential in-home caregivers so they can safely receive routine, ongoing care in their home, enhancing their ability to age in place.
Carina’s Home Care Offerings: Medicaid and Out-of-Pocket/Subsidies

**Medicaid:** If you are enrolled in Medicaid and have authorized home care hours:

- Choose your care provider while working with your case manager
- Get direct access to a vetted pool of active, skilled, state-certified caregivers located in every county across WA
- Browse care providers and choose the one that is the best fit

**Out of Pocket + Subsidies:** If you live in **King County** and are planning to pay out of pocket, with private insurance or another non-Medicaid program, or are unsure of your funding:

- Search for home care agencies with available providers near you
- Carina’s partner home care agencies reach out to you to discuss your care needs and match you with a caregiver
Find Home Care IPs on carina.org

Start looking for care

Choose Your Option

Find Providers

Message and connect
Find Home Care APs on carina.org

Choose your option for finding care

Select Paying for Care Outside of Medicaid WA

Enter zip code

Message

Connect
Resources For IP’s
Become an IP

If you are a family member, neighbor or volunteer and want to do paid work with Medicaid consumers, contact Consumer Direct Network Washington (CDWA) to become an Individual Provider and use Carina to match with someone who needs care near you.
Providers on Carina help people with daily living activities so they can live at home independently.
In June 2022, CDWA became the employer of all IPs in Washington who care for clients receiving services from DSHS. As the legal employer, the CDE is assuming all IP employer related responsibilities that were formerly managed by DSHS and AAAs.

**IP Requirements:**
- 18 years or older
- Pass background checks.
- Do not require sponsorship.
- Authorized to work in the U.S.
- Complete training requirements.
- Valid driver’s license and auto insurance, if authorized to provide transportation.

For more information visit: [https://www.consumerdirectwa.com/ip-resources/]
Benefits for IPs

SEIU 775 Benefits Group provides Training, Health and Retirement Benefits for Caregivers

**Training**
- The Training Partnership creates dynamic, high-quality training designed for caregivers, based on research and data and localized in many languages.
- SEIU 775 Benefits Group is Washington's second-largest educational institution and has provided 7.5 million hours of home care training since 2010.

**Health**
- The Health Benefits Trust delivers high-quality, low-cost health coverage for just $25/month that includes medical, dental, vision, prescription drug and behavioral health coverage for eligible caregivers.
- Eligible caregivers can also access free emotional health benefits, self-care services, life resources and free slip-resistant shoes called Caregiver Kicks.

**Retirement**
- The Secure Retirement Plan is the first of its kind in the nation for caregivers, providing additional financial security when they retire.
- Contributions are based on hours worked, not payroll deductions. Funding is through employer contribution only.
- Caregivers who participate in this Plan can opt to contribute to an IRA or 401k/403b.
Basic Training 70 prepares you with the information and skills you need to successfully pass the certification exam and become a Home Care Aide (HCA). 70 hours is required training for Standard Home Care Aides (HCAs) who take care of clients both part- or full-time.

Training:

• Takes place over a total of 14 days.

• Is a combination of in-person and webinar classes that run 3.5 to 7 hours each day.

• Is paid; get paid for the time you spend in class.
Q&A
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