### **AHEAD Webinar**

# "Personal Care Attendants and Students: An Introduction and Guide" March 28, 2023

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### Examples of PCA Guidelines:

- Oregon State PCA Guidelines: https://ds.oregonstate.edu/sites/ds.oregonstate.edu/files/documents/pca\_guide.pdf
- Pomona College PCA Guidelines: <a href="https://www.pomona.edu/accessibility/student-accessibility/accommodation-policies-and-procedures/personal-care-attendant">https://www.pomona.edu/accessibility/student-accessibility/accommodation-policies-and-procedures/personal-care-attendant</a>
- SUNY-Purchase: SUNY-Purchase: <a href="https://www.purchase.edu/offices/disability-resources/policies-and-procedures/personal-care-attendants-policy/">https://www.purchase.edu/offices/disability-resources/policies-and-procedures/personal-care-attendants-policy/</a>

### Legal:

28 CFR § 36.306, 28 CFR § 35.135, 34 CFR § 104.2

### Resources for Students and Disability Office Personnel:

- Making the Move to Managing Your own Personal Assistance Services(PAS) A Toolkit for Youth With Disabilities Transitioning to Adulthood: Toolkit from U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy to guide young adults on hiring, monitoring, personal care attendants.
- A Wheelchair User's Guide to Preparing for College and How to Secure Housing and Manage PCA Services at College: Two pieces Annie Tulkin wrote for New Mobility magazine.
- Accessible College partnership with the Reeve Foundation: Accessible College (Annie Tulkin) has a partnership with the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation. Students with any type of paralysis can work with Annie for up to 3 hours free on college preparation and transition planning.
- Navigating the Transition to College with Paralysis: This is a guide Annie Tulkin wrote for the Reeve Foundation.
- United Spinal: Wheels on Campus-20 wheelchair friendly campuses guide: This is a
  guide that United Spinal and New Mobility Magazine put together. Outlining the most
  wheelchair accessible campuses and discussing college options for wheelchair users.
- <u>Nielsen Foundation Scholarship</u>: 17 partner colleges. Scholarships for students with spinal cord injuries.
- <u>Accessibility and the Intangibles</u>: Article from the Chronicle of Higher Ed highlighting the experience of two wheelchair users as they choose which college to attend.
- Mobility International USA: Information and support for Americans with disabilities and International students coming to the USA.

## Sample PCA Routines/Job Description:

- Joe-Sample Routine
- Jane-Sample Routine
- Maria-Sample Routine
- Sample Job Description

#### Financial:

- <u>Supplemental Security Insurance (SSI)</u>: The SSI program provides monthly payments to adults and children with a disability or blindness who have income and resources below specific financial limits. Note: students can separate themselves from their parents income at age 18 to become eligible.
- <u>Vocational Rehabilitation</u>: Can provide transition services for students with disabilities.
   This may include funds for tuition, books, and services. Students must be enrolled in a secondary school (including home school or other alternative secondary education program), post-secondary education program or other recognized educational program.
- <u>SwiftStudent</u>: FAFSA does not take into account disability related expenses (including: special services, personal assistance, transportation, equipment, and supplies) that are out of pocket. Students can appeal their financial aid package. Swift Student provides a form that guides students through the process.