

MODIFIED MOVES, MAXIMUM RESULTS



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT®
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Enhance®Fitness FACT SHEET: JUNE 2018

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

EnhanceFitness is a proven community-based senior fitness and arthritis management program. It helps older adults become more active, energized, and empowered for independent living.

EnhanceFitness has been nationally recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living, and the National Council on Aging.

IN EACH ENHANCE®FITNESS CLASS, PARTICIPANTS EXPERIENCE:

- A certified instructor with special training
- Exercises focusing on cardiovascular endurance, strength, flexibility, and balance which can help reduce the severity of arthritis symptoms
- An atmosphere that encourages social interaction, which is a vital part of health and well-being for older adults

WHO QUALIFIES?

EnhanceFitness welcomes older adults at all fitness levels. The program is especially beneficial for older adults living with arthritis.

PARTICIPANT SATISFACTION

Over **99%** of participants say they **would recommend EnhanceFitness** to a friend³

PROVEN RESULTS

Studies show:

90% participant retention rate¹

13% improvement in social functioning¹

35% improvement in physical functioning¹

53% improvement in depression¹

26% decreased risk of a medical fall⁴

Fewer hospitalizations and \$945 less in health care costs per year than non-participants²

THE PROGRAM'S REACH June '18

Number of Y associations offering the program	206
Number of states delivering the program	45
Number of EnhanceFitness sites 86% Y Sites 14% non-Y Sites	429
Number of participants served	26,518

References:

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PROGRAM DEMOGRAPHICS

RACE

Caucasian:	59%
Unknown:	29%
Black:	8%
Asian:	2%
Other:	2%
Multi-Racial:	1%
Native American:	<1%
Pacific Islander:	<1%

ETHNICITY

Hispanic/Latino:	3%
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AGE

Less than 60:	4%
60-69:	20%
70-79:	40%
80-89:	18%
90+:	3%
Unknown:	14%

GENDER

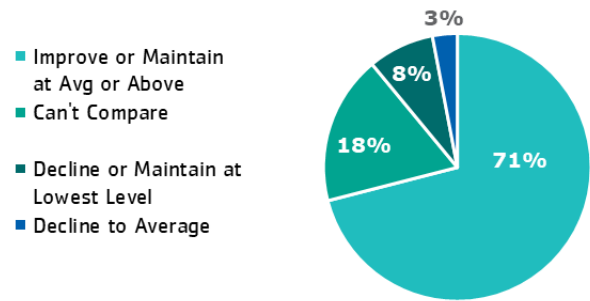
Female:	74%
Male:	14%
Unknown:	12%

REFERRAL SOURCE

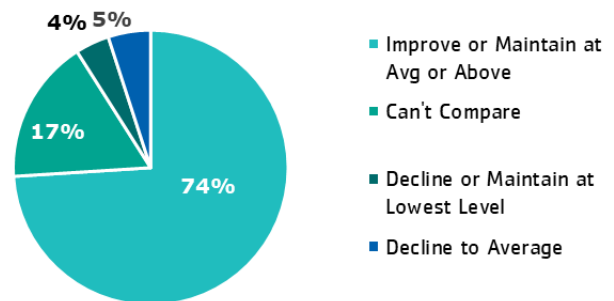
YMCA Staff or Volunteer:	44%
Friend or Family:	21%
Poster, Flyer, Event At Y:	10%
Other:	7%
Doctor or Other Provider:	6%
Media:	4%
Y Website:	4%
Mailing or Email:	3%
Health Insurance Company:	1%

RESULTS

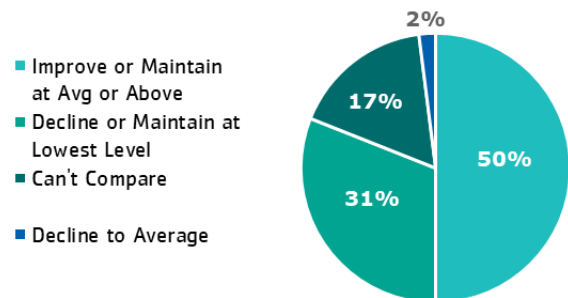
A majority of participants **improved their lower body strength** as measured by the chair stand test, Jan. 2013 - June 2018



A majority of participants **improved their upper body strength** as measured by the arm curl test, Jan. 2013 - June 2018



About half of participants **improved their agility/dynamic balance** as measured by the up & go test, Jan. 2013 - June 2018



ENHANCE®FITNESS National Footprint

For a complete list of EF sites, visit:

ymca.net/enhancefitness

