# MODIFIED MOVES, MAXIMUM RESULTS



Enhance@Fitness FACT SHEET: JUNE 2019 FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT® FOR HEALTHY LIVING FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

### **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 friend<sup>3</sup>

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## **PROVEN RESULTS**

#### **Studies show:**

90% participant retention rate<sup>1</sup>
13% improvement in social functioning<sup>1</sup>
35% improvement in physical functioning<sup>1</sup>
53% improvement in depression<sup>1</sup>
26% decreased risk of a medical fall<sup>4</sup>
Fewer hospitalizations and \$945 less in health care costs per year than non-participants<sup>2</sup>

#### THE PROGRAM'S REACH JUNE'19

Number of Y associations offering the program	255
Number of states delivering the program	44
Number of EnhanceFitness sites 84% Y Sites   16% non-Y Sites	460
Number of participants served	32,042



#### PROGRAM DEMOGRAPHICS RACE

Caucasian: Unknown: Black: Asian: Other: Multi-Racial: Native American: Pacific Islander:	59% 29% 7% 2% 2% 1% <1% <1%
ETHNICITY Hispanic/Latino:	3%
AGE Less than 60: 60-69: 70-79: 80-89: 90+: Unknown:	4% 19% 41% 19% 4% 14%
<b>GENDER</b> Female: Male: Unknown:	74% 14% 12%
REFERRAL SOURCE YMCA Staff or Volunteer: Friend or Family: Poster, Flyer, Event At Y: Other: Doctor or Other Provider: Y Website:	43% 22% 10% 8% 5% 4%

#### Media: Mailing or Email: Health Insurance Company:

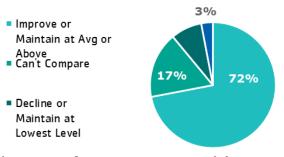
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## RESULTS

A majority of participants **improved their lower body strength** as measured by the chair stand test, Jan. 2013 – June 2019



A majority of participants **improved their upper body strength** as measured by the arm curl test, Jan. 2013 – June 2019



About half of participants **improved their agility/dynamic balance** as measured by the up & go test, Jan. 2013 – June 2019





#### ENHANCE®FITNESS National Footprint

For a complete list of EF sites, visit: ymca.net/enhancefitness