

# Independent Monitoring for Quality Allegheny AE Summary 2015

Independent Monitoring for Quality



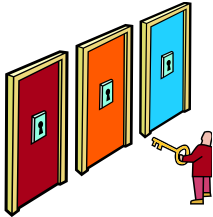
Making Everyday Lives a Reality

- Independent Monitoring for Quality (IM4Q) visits with adults and children age three and over who are supported by the Pennsylvania Office of Developmental Programs (ODP).
- IM4Q sends interviewers to talk to people who live in licensed community homes at least once every 3 years. Interviews are also conducted with people who live with their family, life-sharing families, independently, in intermediate care facilities ICFs/MR), nursing facilities and personal care homes.
- Reports created from Independent Monitoring for Quality interviews are shared with provider agencies, administrative entities/counties, and the Planning Advisory Committee for the Office of Developmental Programs for purposes of

improving peoples' quality of life.

- This information presents some of the findings from the 2014-15 report. For a full report please contact your administrative entity/county or go to the Department of Human Services (DHS) website at [www.state.pa.us](http://www.state.pa.us).

Choice:



Community:

Community



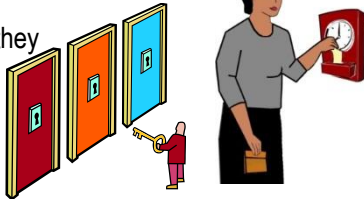
47% vote



94% go out for fun



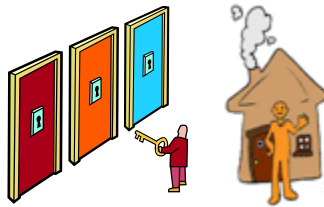
67% choose what they do during the day



28% go to worship weekly



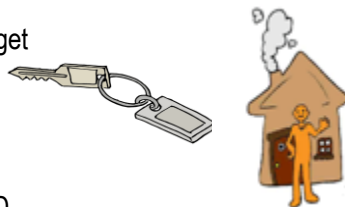
46% choose where they live



37% go to the mall weekly to shop



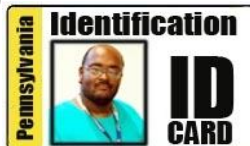
23% have a key to get into the house



43% go to a restaurant weekly



56% always carry ID



**Happy\*:**



It is often found that people report being happy with whatever they have.

**Relationships:**



82% are happy, not sad, with their lives



99% talk to family when they want



91% are happy with their work



97% can see friends when they want



\*Satisfaction research demonstrates that people report high levels of satisfaction with whatever they have.

Symbols were compiled from the following sources:  
The Picture Communication Symbols™ ©Mayer-Johnson LLC. All rights reserved worldwide. Used with Permission;  
ESL-Library.com/Red River Press Inc. All rights reserved worldwide. Used with Permission; and Google Images