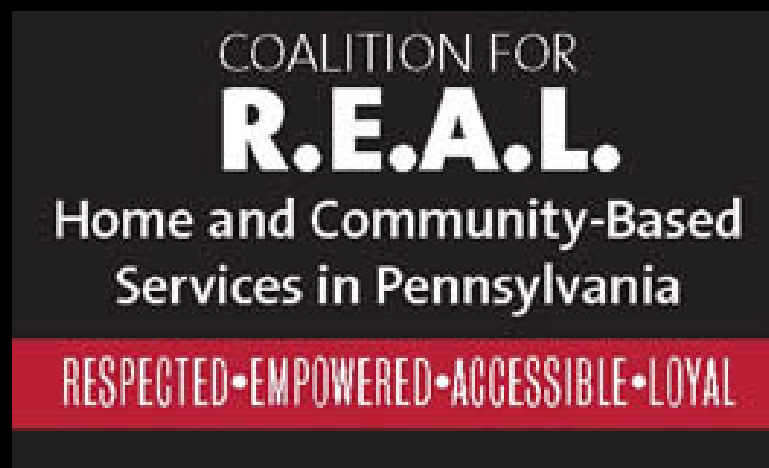


# Together – We're Better

## Successful Collaboration Among Diverse Provider & Advocacy Associations



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# R.E.A.L. Collaboration Tools and Approaches

- Members' sign-off on strategy, public statements and activities
- Members' support of collaboration activities
- Adherence to focus on the common goal



# *Outcomes* of our **Effective Collaboration**

- Achievement of stated common goals
  - Highlighted issue
  - Educated
  - Recognize deep commitment
  - Improved relationships
  - Heightened awareness of Home and Community Based Services
  - Heightened awareness of the need of higher wages and benefits for direct care workers

# *Outcomes* of our Effective Collaboration

- Trust Level increased among members
- Successful in preserving the Home and Community Based System established in PA
- Deeper understanding of other members' values and philosophies

# Outcomes of our Effective Collaboration

- Information sharing increased on other issues
- Lasting benefits of the collaboration include the ability to quickly renew efforts if other common issues emerge.



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