"Retirement Readiness" Defines Successful Retirement Savings

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Retirement Readiness is a broad term that identifies whether or not an individual is well-prepared for retirement, and if he or she can continue to generate adequate income to cover living expenses. A combined plan with savings and investments, employer pension benefits, government entitlements and/or a continuation of work that also allows for leisure time defines an adequate income plan.

The Transamerica Center for Retirement Studies defines five key elements of 'retirement readiness' as:

- A clear picture of retirement that includes your retirement dreams, the age you'll stop working and your plans for continued work
- All your retirement income including savings and investments, pension benefits, and government benefits;
- Your retirement strategy that includes your savings needs, risks and a back-up plan in case you would have to retire sooner than you expect;
- A growing knowledge to make informed decisions about retirement investments, government benefits, and healthcare. You can never stop learning about the changing face of investment, benefits and healthcare
- Family cooperation including an open discussion on finances and agreement on expectations of support, if any.

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