

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

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The franchisee will operate a chiropractic and wellness center ("Center") under the AlignLife trademark, offering chiropractic care, nutritional counseling, weight loss, rehabilitation and other products and services to patients in accordance with a prescribed format and utilizing proprietary operating methods and procedures. We offer both start-up and conversion franchises.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a start-up franchise is \$160,871 to \$353,264. This includes \$50,500 that must be paid to the franchisor and/or its affiliate, as appropriate.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a conversion franchise is \$85,921 to \$292,614. This includes \$30,500 that must be paid to the franchisor and/or its affiliate, as appropriate.

This disclosure document <u>summarizes</u> certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English. Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully. You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar-days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to, the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. **Note, however, that no governmental agency has verified the information contained in this document.**

You may wish to receive your disclosure document in another format that is more convenient for you. To discuss the availability of disclosures in different formats, contact Dr. Cristina Esposito at 4812 N. Sheridan Road, Suite A700, Peoria, Illinois, 61614, and 309-807-4439. If you received this disclosure document electronically, but would like a printed version, contact Dr. Cristina Esposito at the address or phone number above.

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Don't rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract. Read all of your contract carefully. Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or an accountant.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind. More information on franchising, such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise," which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission. You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at www.ftc.gov for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

There may also be laws on franchising in your state. Ask your state agencies about them.

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How to Use this Franchise Disclosure Document

Here are some questions you may be asking about buying a franchise and tips on how to find more information.

QUESTION	WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION	
How much can I earn?	Item 19 may give you information about	
	outlet sales, costs, profits or losses. You	
	should also try to obtain this information	
	from others, like current and former franchisees. You can find their names and	
	contact information in Item 20 or Exhibit	
	D and Exhibit E.	
How much will I need to invest?	Items 5 and 6 list fees you will be paying	
	to the franchisor or at the franchisor's	
	direction. Item 7 lists the initial	
	investment to open. Item 8 describes the	
	suppliers you must use.	
Does the franchisor have the financial	Item 21 or Exhibit A includes financial	
ability to provide support to my	statements. Review these statements	
business?	carefully.	
Is the franchise system stable, growing	Item 20 summarizes the recent history of	
or shrinking?	the number of company-owned and	
	franchised outlets.	
Will my business be the only AlignLife	Item 12 and the "territory" provisions in	
business in my area?	the franchise agreement and multi-unit	
	operator agreement describe whether the	
	franchisor and other franchisees can	
	compete with you.	
Does the franchisor have a troubled	Items 3 and 4 tell you whether the	
legal history?	franchisor or its management have been	
	involved in material litigation or	
	bankruptcy proceedings.	
What's it like to be an AlignLife	Item 20, Exhibit D or Exhibit E lists current	
franchisee?	and former franchisees. You can contact	
	them to ask about their experiences.	
What else should I know?	These questions are only a few things you	
	should look for. Review all 23 Items and	
	all Exhibits in this disclosure document to	
	better understand this franchise	
	opportunity. See the table of contents.	



What You Need to Know About Franchising Generally

<u>Continuing responsibility to pay fees</u>. You may have to pay royalties and other fees even if you are losing money.

Business model can change. The franchise agreement may allow the franchisor to change its manuals and business model without your consent. These changes may require you to make additional investments in your franchise business or may harm your franchise business.

<u>Supplier restrictions.</u> You may have to buy or lease items from the franchisor or a limited group of suppliers the franchisor designates. These items may be more expensive than similar items you could buy on your own.

<u>Operating restrictions.</u> The franchise agreement may prohibit you from operating a similar business during the term of the franchise. There are usually other restrictions. Some examples may include controlling your location, your access to customers, what you sell, how you market, and your hours of operation.

<u>Competition from franchisor.</u> Even if the franchise agreement grants you a territory, the franchisor may have the right to compete with you in your territory.

Renewal. Your franchise agreement may not permit you to renew. Even if it does, you may have to sign a new agreement with different terms and conditions in order to continue to operate your franchise business.

When your franchise ends. The franchise agreement may prohibit you from operating a similar business after your franchise ends even if you still have obligations to your landlord or other creditors.

Some States Require Registration

Your state may have a franchise law, or other law, that requires franchisors to register before offering or selling franchises in the state. Registration does not mean that the state recommends the franchise or has verified the information in this document. To find out if your state has a registration requirement, or to contact your state, use agency information in Exhibit A.

Your state also may have laws that require special disclosures or amendments be made to your franchise agreement. If so, you should check the State Specific Addendum. See the Table of Contents for the location of the State Specific Addendum.

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