

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT



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You will offer individualized weight management programs, goods, and services from a retail location. We also offer area development rights to develop and operate multiple locations within a specific development area under individual franchise agreements.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a PROFILE SANFORD franchise ranges from approximately \$356,000 to \$618,000 for a stand-alone store, and from approximately \$151,000 to \$317,500 for an in-facility store. This includes approximately \$308,000 to \$433,000 for a stand-alone store, and approximately \$127,000 to \$149,700 for an in-facility store, that must be paid to us or an affiliate.

This disclosure document summarizes 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.**

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 to 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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STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in your state. REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Call the state franchise administrator listed in **Exhibit E** for information about the franchisor, or about franchising in your state.

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES. YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS. BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW.

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this franchise:

- 1. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AND MULTI-UNIT AREA DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT EACH REQUIRE YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY MEDIATION THEN ARBITRATION (AND IN CERTAIN CASES LITIGATION) ONLY IN THE CITY OF OUR THEN-CURRENT PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS, CURRENTLY, SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA. OUT-OF-STATE ARBITRATION OR LITIGATION MAY ENCOURAGE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO ARBITRATE OR LITIGATE WITH US IN SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE.
- 2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AND MULTI-UNIT AREA DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT EACH STATE THAT SOUTH DAKOTA LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS.
- 3. WE HAVE LIMITED FINANCIAL RESOURCES WHICH MIGHT NOT BE ADEQUATE TO FUND OUR PRE-OPENING OBLIGATIONS TO EACH FRANCHISEE AND PAY OPERATING EXPENSES.
- 4. THE FRANCHISEE WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE AN ESTIMATED INITIAL INVESTMENT RANGING FROM APPROXIMATELY \$356,000 to \$618,000 FOR A STANDALONE STORE, AND APPROXIMATELY \$151,000 TO \$317,500 FOR AN IN-FACILITY STORE. THIS AMOUNT EXCEEDS THE FRANCHISOR'S MEMBER EQUITY AS OF JUNE 30, 2017, WHICH IS \$150,000.
- 5. YOU MUST MAINTAIN MINIMUM SALES PERFORMANCE LEVELS. YOUR INABILITY TO MAINTAIN THESE LEVELS MAY RESULT IN LOSS OF ANY TERRITORIAL RIGHTS YOU ARE GRANTED, TERMINATION OF YOUR FRANCHISE, AND LOSS OF YOUR INVESTMENT.
- 6. THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

Effective Date: See the next page for state effective dates.



STATE EFFECTIVE DATES

The following states require that the Franchise Disclosure Document be registered or filed with the state or be exempt from registration: California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin.

This Franchise Disclosure Document is registered, on file, or exempt from registration in the following states having franchise registration and disclosure laws, with the following effective dates:

State	Effective Date
California	
Hawaii	
Illinois	
Indiana	
Maryland	
Michigan	October 9, 2017
Minnesota	
New York	
North Dakota	
Rhode Island	
South Dakota	
Virginia	
Washington	
Wisconsin	

In all other states, the effective date of this Franchise Disclosure Document is the issuance date of October 9, 2017

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