

## FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

TOUCHING HEARTS, INC. A Minnesota corporation 7505 Metro Blvd, Suite 340 Minneapolis, Minnesota 55439 (877) 870-8750 www.touchinghearts.com



The "Touching Hearts" franchise is for the right to use Touching Hearts, Inc.'s trademarks and confidential proprietary information to operate a business that provides in-home non-medical and companion services for seniors and persons with disabilities.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a "Touching Hearts" franchise ranges from \$48,150 to \$69,100. This includes \$34,500 that must be paid to the franchisor as the initial franchise fee.

This disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English. Read this disclosure document and all 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 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 Scott Kummel at 7505 Metro Blvd Suite 340 Minneapolis, MN 55439 and (877) 870-8750.

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Do not 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. 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, N.W., 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 administrators listed in Exhibit B 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 REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY ARBITRATION ONLY IN MINNESOTA. OUT-OF-STATE ARBITRATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO ARBITRATE WITH US IN MINNESOTA THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE.
- 2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT MINNESOTA 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 MAY REDUCE THE SIZE OF YOUR TERRITORY, TERMINATE YOUR FRANCHISE AGREEMENT, AND/OR TAKE OTHER ACTIONS AS WE DEEM APPROPRIATE OR NECESSARY IF YOU FAIL TO MAINTAIN STATED SALES LEVELS.
- 4. THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

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## 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 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	Pending	New York	5/7/2014
Hawaii	Pending	North Dakota	Pending
Illinois	6/1/2014	Rhode Island	Pending
Indiana	Pending	South Dakota	Pending
Maryland	Pending	Virginia	Pending
Michigan	Pending	Washington	Pending
Minnesota	6/16/2014	Wisconsin	Pending

In the states listed below, the effective date of this disclosure document (the issuance date) is September 5, <u>April 13, 2015</u>2014.

Alabama	Kentucky	Ohio
Alaska	Louisiana	Oklahoma
Arizona	Maine	Oregon
Arkansas	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Colorado	Mississippi	South Carolina
Connecticut	Missouri	Tennessee
Delaware	Montana	Texas
District of Columbia	Nebraska	Utah
Florida	Nevada	Vermont
Georgia	New Hampshire	West Virginia
Idaho	New Jersey	Wyoming
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Kansas	North Carolina	

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