
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

HEALTHSTREAM, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Tennessee
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

62-1443555
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

209 10th Avenue South, Suite 450
Nashville, TN 37203
(Address of principal executive offices)

37203
(Zip Code)

HEALTHSTREAM, INC. 2016 OMNIBUS INCENTIVE PLAN
(Full title of the plan)

Robert A. Frist, Jr.
President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman
HealthStream, Inc.
209 10th Avenue South, Suite 450
Nashville, Tennessee 37203
(Name and address of agent for service)

(615) 301-3100
(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copies to:

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Kevin H. Douglas, Esq.
Bass, Berry & Sims PLC
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of securities to be registered	Amount to be registered (1)	Proposed maximum offering price per share (2)	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price	Amount of registration fee
Common Stock, no par value	1,500,000	\$22.69	\$34,035,000	\$3,428

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this registration statement includes an indeterminate number of additional shares which may be offered and issued to prevent dilution resulting from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.
- (2) Pursuant to Rule 457(c) and (h)(1) under the Securities Act, the proposed maximum offering price is estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee on the basis of the average of the high and low sales prices of the Registrant's common stock, no par value (the "Common Stock") on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on May 24, 2016.
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PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

HealthStream, Inc. (the "Registrant" or the "Company") has sent or given or will send or give documents containing the information specified by Part I of this Form S-8 Registration Statement (the "Registration Statement") to participants in the plan to which this Registration Statement relates, as specified in Rule 428(b)(1) promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") under the Securities Act. The Registrant is not filing such documents with the Commission, but these documents constitute (along with the documents incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement pursuant to Item 3 of Part II hereof) a prospectus that meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents filed by the Registrant with the Commission, pursuant to the Securities Act or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), are hereby incorporated by reference and shall be deemed to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such document:

- (1) The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, filed with the Commission on February 26, 2016;
- (2) The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2016, filed with the Commission on May 2, 2016;
- (3) The Registrant's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on February 16, 2016 and May 31, 2016; and
- (4) The Registrant's description of its Common Stock, as set forth in the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Commission on October 18, 1999 (File No. 000-27701), including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

Except to the extent that information therein is deemed furnished and not filed pursuant to the Exchange Act, all documents filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date hereof and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statements contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or replaced for purposes hereof to the extent that a statement contained herein (or in any other subsequently filed document which also is incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein) modifies or replaces such statement. Any statement so modified or replaced shall not be deemed, except as so modified or replaced, to constitute a part hereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, information furnished under Items 2.02 and 7.01 of any Current Report on Form 8-K, including the related exhibits, is not incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement or the related prospectus.

Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

The Company's Fourth Amended and Restated Charter provides that, to the fullest extent permitted by the Tennessee Business Corporation Act (the "TBCA"), a director will not be liable to the Company or its shareholders for monetary damages for breach of his or her fiduciary duty as a director. Under the TBCA, directors have a fiduciary duty which is not eliminated by this provision in the Company's Fourth Amended and Restated Charter. In some circumstances, equitable remedies such as injunctive or other forms of nonmonetary relief will remain available. In addition, each director will continue to be subject to liability under the TBCA:

- for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Company or its shareholders;
- for acts or omissions which are found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be not in good faith or which involved intentional misconduct or knowing violations of law;
- in connection with any proceeding charging improper personal benefit to the director, whether or not involving action in the director's official capacity, in which the director was adjudged liable on the basis that personal benefit was improperly received by the director; and
- for payment of distributions that are prohibited by the TBCA.

The TBCA provides that a corporation may indemnify any director or officer against liability incurred in connection with a proceeding if the director or officer acted in good faith or reasonably believed, in the case of conduct in his or her official capacity with the corporation, that the conduct was in the corporation's best interests. In all other civil cases, a corporation must indemnify a director or officer who reasonably believed that his or her conduct was not opposed to the best interests of the corporation. In connection with any criminal proceedings, a corporation may indemnify any director or officer who had no reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

In actions brought by or in the right of the corporation, however, the TBCA does not allow indemnification if the director or officer is adjudged to be liable to the corporation. Similarly, the TBCA prohibits indemnification of a director or officer if the director or officer is adjudged liable in a proceeding because a personal benefit was improperly received.

Under the Company's Fourth Amended and Restated Charter, in cases when the director or officer is wholly successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding brought because of his or her status as a director or officer of a corporation, the corporation must indemnify the director or officer against all expense, liability, and loss incurred in the proceeding. Also, the TBCA provides that a court may order a corporation to indemnify a director or officer for reasonable expenses if the court determines that the individual is entitled to mandatory indemnification, or, in consideration of all relevant circumstances, the court determines that the individual is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification, whether or not the individual acted in good faith or reasonably believed his or her conduct was in the corporation's best interest.

The Company's Second Amended and Restated Bylaws provide that the Company shall indemnify and advance expenses to its directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by the TBCA. The Company also maintains insurance to protect any director or officer against any liability and has entered into indemnification agreements with its directors to create a contractual obligation to indemnify its directors. These agreements, among other things, indemnify the Company's directors for some expenses, judgments and fines and amounts paid in settlement, actually and reasonably incurred by any of these persons in any threatened, pending or completed action, suit proceeding or arbitration or any inquiry, hearing or investigation arising out of the person's services as the Company's director.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

- 4.1 Fourth Restated and Amended Charter of HealthStream, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended (Reg. No. 333-88939)).
- 4.2 Second Amended and Restated Bylaws of HealthStream, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on October 23, 2015).
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- 5.1 Opinion of Bass, Berry & Sims PLC.
- 23.1 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
- 23.2 Consent of Bass, Berry & Sims PLC (included in Exhibit 5.1 filed herewith).
- 24.1 Power of Attorney (included on the signature page hereto).
- 99.1 HealthStream, Inc. 2016 Omnibus Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on May 31, 2016).

Item 9. Undertakings.

(a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

(h) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Nashville, State of Tennessee, on this 31st day of May, 2016.

HEALTHSTREAM, INC.

By: /s/ Robert A. Frist, Jr.

Robert A. Frist, Jr.

President, Chief Executive Officer & Chairman

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Robert A. Frist, Jr. and Gerard M. Hayden, Jr., and each of them, as his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place, and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or his or her substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
<u>/s/ Robert A. Frist, Jr.</u> Robert A. Frist, Jr.	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	May 31, 2016
<u>/s/ Gerard M. Hayden, Jr.</u> Gerard M. Hayden, Jr.	President of Financial Services, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	May 31, 2016
<u>/s/ Thompson Dent</u> Thompson Dent	Director	May 31, 2016
<u>/s/ Frank Gordon</u> Frank Gordon	Director	May 31, 2016
<u>/s/ C. Martin Harris</u> C. Martin Harris	Director	May 31, 2016
<u>/s/ Jeffrey L. McLaren</u> Jeffrey L. McLaren	Director	May 31, 2016
<u>/s/ Dale Polley</u> Dale Polley	Director	May 31, 2016
<u>/s/ Linda Rebrovick</u> Linda Rebrovick	Director	May 31, 2016
<u>/s/ Michael Shmerling</u> Michael Shmerling	Director	May 31, 2016
<u>/s/ William Stead</u> William Stead	Director	May 31, 2016
<u>/s/ Deborah Taylor Tate</u> Deborah Taylor Tate	Director	May 31, 2016

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* Filed herewith

BASS BERRY + SIMS

150 Third Avenue South, Suite 2800
Nashville, TN 37201
(615) 742-6200

May 31, 2016

HealthStream, Inc.
209 10th Avenue South, Suite 450
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8 relating to the HealthStream, Inc. 2016 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Plan")

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to HealthStream, Inc., a Tennessee corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the preparation of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") relating to certain shares of Common Stock, no par value per share (the "Common Stock"), of the Company issuable pursuant to the Plan.

In connection with this opinion, we have examined and relied upon such records, documents, certificates, and other instruments as we have deemed necessary or appropriate in order to express the opinions hereinafter set forth. We have also assumed the legal capacity of all natural persons, the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as copies, the authenticity of the originals of such latter documents, the legal competence of all signatories to such documents, and, except to the extent we express an opinion as to due authorization in the next paragraph of this letter, the due authorization, execution and delivery of all documents by the parties thereto. As to various questions of fact relevant to the opinion expressed herein, we have relied upon, and assume the accuracy of, certificates and oral or written statements and other information of or from public officials and officers and representatives of the Company.

Based upon and subject to the qualifications, assumptions and limitations set forth herein, we are of the opinion that the shares of Common Stock issuable in connection with the Plan have been duly authorized and, when issued in accordance with the terms of the Plan, will be legally issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

The opinions expressed above are limited to the Tennessee Business Corporation Act (which includes applicable provisions of the Tennessee Constitution and reported judicial decisions interpreting the Tennessee Business Corporation Act and the Tennessee Constitution).

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement. In giving this consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations of the Commission.

This opinion is limited to the specific issues addressed herein, and no opinion may be inferred or implied beyond that expressly stated herein.

This opinion is furnished to you in connection with the filing of the Registration Statement. Our opinion is rendered as of the date hereof and we assume no obligation to advise you of changes in law or fact (or the effect thereof on the opinions expressed herein) that hereafter may come to our attention.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Bass, Berry & Sims PLC

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement (Form S-8) pertaining to the HealthStream, Inc. 2016 Omnibus Incentive Plan of our reports dated February 26, 2016, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of HealthStream, Inc. and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of HealthStream, Inc. included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2015, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Nashville, Tennessee
May 26, 2016