# TOUCHING THE SURFACE

STIRRING THE DEPTHS



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### HOW DO WE INCREASE IT?

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- HIGHLY BENEFICIAL TO THE IMMUNE SYSTEM
- INCREASES FOCUS AND PRODUCTIVITY IN THE WORKPLACE, AFTER JUST 10 MINUTES

A HUG, A PAT ON THE BACK, AND EVEN A FRIENDLY HANDSHAKE ARE PROCESSED BY THE REWARD CENTER IN THE CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM, WHICH IS WHY THEY CAN HAVE A POWERFUL IMPACT ON THE HUMAN PSYCHE, MAKING US FEEL HAPPINESS AND JOY.

AND, IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU ARE THE TOUCHER OR THE TOUCHEE. THE MORE YOU CONNECT WITH OTHERS, ON EVEN THE SMALLEST LEVEL, THE HAPPIER YOU'LL BE.

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# TOUCH AND POSITIVE PSYCHOLOGY GO HAND IN HAND