# **AbleNet**®

# Instructions For Use BIG TalkingBrix

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#### **INTENDED PURPOSE**

BIG TalkingBrix is an easy-to-use communication aid with voice output and intended for people who cannot or cannot yet use more complex static or dynamic systems.

#### CLINICAL BENEFITS OF THE DEVICE

Beginning device to assist a patient with verbal communication. The benefit is to maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of communication for individuals who are unable to communicate via verbal speech.

# PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS AND INFORMATION FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL

**Activation Type:** Pressure **Activation Force:** 2.5-oz/71-g

Activation Surface Size: 3.5-in/8.8-cm

**Recording Time:** 10-sec

Mounting Connection: Internal magnet in each BIG TalkingBrix

Number of Message Locations: 1 Battery Type: Rechargeable

Weight: 5.7-oz/162-g per BIG TalkingBrix

**HCPCS Code:** E2500

**Product Warranty:** 2-year limited warranty

Material: Housing - ABS Plastic Suggested Operating Environment:

> Ambient Temperature Range: 32°F - 95°F (0°C - 35°C) Humidity: 10% - 95% (no condensation on device)

Suggested Transportation and Storage:

Ambient Temperature Range: -25°F - 158°F (-31°C - 70°C) Humidity: 10% - 95% (no condensation on the device)

## RISKS, WARNINGS, AND CONTRA-INDICATIONS

BIG TalkingBrix is neither waterproof nor completely water resistant. Do not immerse BIG TalkingBrix in water or any other liquid. Make sure that no liquids are spilled on BIG TalkingBrix.

BIG TalkingBrix is not recommended to be used as access to a call system.

# **DEVICE OVERVIEW**



1	Switch Top
2	Indicator Light
3	Microphone



#### 4 On/Rec/Off Switch



5	USB Charging Jack
6	Male connector tab



#### 7 Female connector tab



8	USB Charging Cable
9	Wall charger
10	US Plug adapter
11	EU Plug adapter
12	Clear Switch Cap

#### **USE INSTRUCTIONS**

#### First Time Use

- 1. Turn BIG TalkingBrix over, and move the switch to REC for record.
- 2. Press and hold the colored switch top.
- 3. Begin speaking for up to 10 seconds when the indicator light begins blinking.
- 4. Release the colored switch top when finished recording.
- 5. Turn BIG TalkingBrix over, and move the switch from REC to On.
- 6. BIG TalkingBrix can be activated by pressing the colored switch top.

#### **Multi-Message Communication**

You can connect multiple TalkingBrix together to create a multi-message communication device. Connect using the tabs and slots found on the side of each TalkingBrix.

#### Mounting

TalkingBrix include internal magnets for mounting. Or, use hook-and-loop fastener on the back of TalkingBrix.

#### Charging

When TalkingBrix has a low battery, the light will blink red three times after message playback. Attach TalkingBrix to the included wall charger. The light will be solid red when charging and solid green when fully charged. TalkingBrix cannot be used while charging.

#### PREPARATORY TREATMENT

Cleaning and disinfecting your AbleNet assistive technology devices between uses is essential to the health and safety of the user. To help fight against the spread of germs, here are some helpful steps to cleaning and disinfecting your AbleNet device.

Always be sure to wear the appropriate personal protective equipment such as protective gloves and safety glasses.

### **Cleaning Your Device**

Before disinfecting your device, remove any dirt or debris that may be on the device.

- 1. Turn the device off and remove the batteries.
  - 1. Remove any large chunks, visible heavy dirt, or debris that is attached to the device.
- 2. Wipe down the device with cleaning wipes.
- 3. Use a cotton swab soaked with cleaner to get into any tight areas that were not accessible with the cleaning wipes.
- 4. Let the device completely dry.

#### **Disinfect Your Device**

Now that the device is clean, it is time to disinfect it. Changing protective gloves may be required before disinfecting the device to ensure no dirt or debris is transferred back to the device.

- 1. Make sure the device is still turned off and that the batteries are removed.
- 2. Use a clean towel or wipes with Virucidal, Bactericidal, Pseudomonacidal, Tuberculocidal, or Fungicidal to disinfect the surfaces of the device. It is important to note that these chemicals only disinfect when they are wet and should be left wet on the device for at least 4-minutes.

- 3. Use a cotton swab soaked with Virucidal, Bactericidal, Pseudomonacidal, Tuberculocidal, or Fungicidal to disinfect the tight areas that were not accessible with the towel or wipes. Make sure the chemical stays wet on the device for at least 4-minutes.
- 4. Let the device air-dry entirely before using it.

#### **TROUBLESHOOTING**

#### Does not play message(s)

If the BIG TalkingBrix does not play a message, check the following:

- 1. Verify you have charged the batteries.
- 2. Verify that TalkingBrix 2 is turned on.

#### BIG TalkingBrix has low volume

When activated, BIG TalkingBrix is too quiet.

- 1. Make sure BIG TalkingBrix is turned up all the way.
- 2. Rerecord message. The louder the sound being recorded, the louder the sound will playback.

#### PREVENTATIVE AND REGULAR MAINTENANCE

Clean the BIG TalkingBrix if necessary. No scheduled maintenance is required.

#### REUSABLE

BIG TalkingBrix should be sent back to the manufacturer for cleaning, testing and refurbishment before reuse with another patient.

#### **DEVICES USED TOGETHER WITH**

BIG TalkingBrix is a self-contained speech device. It can be physically connected to other BIG TalkingBrix to create a larger communication system if needed.

#### PROPER DISPOSAL

BIG TalkingBrix contains a lithium-ion battery and electronic components and should not be disposed of in your normal home or business waste collection. BIG TalkingBrix should be disposed of with a licensed electronics recycler that accepts lithium-ion batteries.

## WHEN TO CONTACT A HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL

If you have difficulty accessing the switches or need assistance with product placement.

Change in your condition.

#### **NOTICE OF SERIOUS INCIDENT**

Notice - If any serious incident has occurred while using this device, seek medical attention and then - please report to AbleNet, Inc and your competent authority of the member state in which you are in.