

**Talking  
Labels**™



## Audible Guidance

The re-recordable voice message could include the name of the patient, a description of the medication, dosage instructions and any important warning notes. A clear audible message will allow the user to identify and take their medication safely.

## Features

- 1 Easy to use - one button to press
- 2 Low profile ergonomic design
- 3 Large tactile play button
- 4 Provides clear audible instructions
- 5 Re-recordable and reusable
- 6 No barriers for language or regional accents
- 7 Metal clip will grip securely to original packaging
- 8 Fits all standard pill box packaging
- 9 Message protection to avoid accidental erasure
- 10 Red light to indicate recording
- 11 Replaceable button cell batteries
- 12 Allows for horizontal or vertical storage
- 13 Attach to a key ring or neck strap
- 14 Use with adapter to help identify other items

## A Simple & Effective Solution

Talking Labels are a simple and effective solution to provide audible guidance in identifying and taking medications.

Talking Labels attach to standard packaging and allow you to record and store a voice message, which can then be played back at any time with the push of a button.

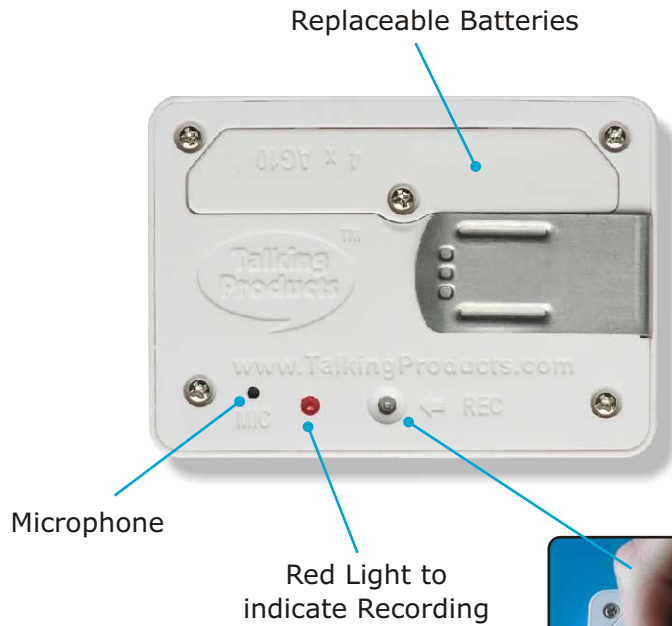
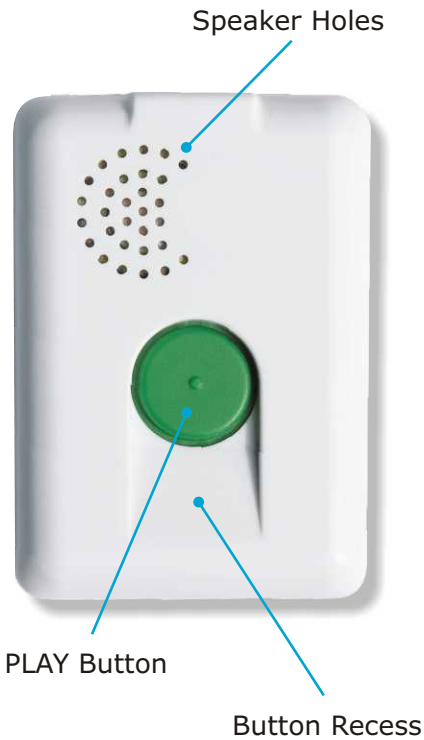
This new concept offers a solution to eliminate the risk of any possible confusion with medication by helping Patients to understand and follow important instructions.



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# Features

Registered Design and Patents Pending



Height: 80mm  
Width: 57mm  
Depth: 9mm

**Provides protection against accidental message erasure**

Use the point of a pen to push the Record Button

# Easy to Use

## How is a message recorded onto the Label ?

The Record Button is located on the rear of the label and through a small hole. The point of a pen can be used to push through the hole.

This method provides protection against accidental message erasure.

Detailed instructions are included with each talking label.

## How is the Label attached to a Box?

A unique metal clip is located on the rear of the Label. The clip slides down on to the wall of the cardboard box.

The clip will achieve a secure grip on the cardboard, but will avoid any risk of disfiguration to the print on the box.

The end flap on the box can still be opened and closed in the normal way to gain access to the medication.



## Support & Social Inclusion

### **Department of Health (DH) Medication Support Service Policy**

*"To provide support to people with eligible needs to manage their medication in their own homes."*

### **Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (DDA)**

*"Service Providers cannot discriminate or provide a poorer quality of service to disabled people because of their disability."*

*"Service Providers must provide reasonable adjustments for disabled people to enable them to access services more effectively. These may include: Changing current procedures or providing auxiliary aids and services."*

Talking Labels are a cost effective and credible solution to help Service Providers to achieve and comply with these important policy objectives.

## Multiple Applications

### **Who would use a Talking Label?**

Talking Labels offer an effective solution to a wide range of Patients who may have difficulty in identifying and taking their prescribed Medication.

Elderly seniors may require assistance in managing the confusing and complicated task of taking a mixture of pills at different times of the day.

People who are Visually Impaired are open to risk with not being able to see the Label or Instructions. Apart from a variety of pill organisers, the options are very limited.

Current ID methods use large print or Braille, but none use audible announcements.  
**FACT: Less than 2% of the UK Blind community are able to read Braille. (Source R.N.I.B.)**

Non-English speaking members of the community or people who are Illiterate will also find Talking Labels useful in a wide variety of applications.

## Adapters

Adapters are available for fixing the label onto various flat surfaces. Please visit our web site at **[www.TalkingProducts.com](http://www.TalkingProducts.com)** for more details.

## Medication Management

### **Why have Labels that can Talk?**

Patients, who must take a variety of prescribed medication at the same time, often have drugs that require different dosage, quantity or frequency.

If a Patient cannot read or understand the label on the medication, usage mistakes can occur. The results of such errors can range from adverse reactions that are simply uncomfortable to either serious illness or untimely death.

## Methodology

### **How does the Label attach?**

Research has shown that 90% of all 'Prescription' and 'Over the Counter' medications in Europe are now packed in Foil Blister Packs and distributed in Cardboard Boxes.

It is a legal requirement for medication to remain in its manufacturers original packaging. Therefore, our Talking Labels have been designed to attach to the existing Boxes using a unique Metal Clip.

### **Who records the message and what should the message include?**

The pharmacist should be willing to record the instructions for their patient. The audible message should include the name of the patient, a description of the medication, dosage instructions and any important warning notes.



# Frequently Asked Questions

## **Q. *Is the Talking Label easy to use?***

**A.** Yes. You only need to press one button to listen to the audible message.

## **Q. *How is a message recorded onto the Label?***

**A.** You may ask your pharmacist to record the prescription message for you. Remember that Physicians and Pharmacists want you to take your medications correctly. Instruction Sheets are supplied with each Label.

## **Q. *What is the maximum recording time for a message?***

**A.** The maximum recording time is 20 seconds.

## **Q. *Can you re-use the Label?***

**A.** Yes. When your course of medication is complete, simply remove the label from the packaging and attach it to the new box. New messages can be re-recorded over and over as many times as you wish. New recordings replace the old ones.

## **Q. *How long will the Batteries last?***

**A.** The life of the batteries will depend on the length of your recorded messages and the number of times you play the messages. As an example, if the message was 20 seconds long and you played the message once a day, the batteries would last for approximately four months.

## **Q. *Will the Label stop working if the battery power runs low?***

**A.** No. When the battery power begins to run low, the quality of the audio playback will begin to deteriorate, i.e. you will start to hear the message 'crackle' or distort. The distortion will gradually get worst as the power runs lower, so it is advised that you replace the batteries when this starts to happen.

## **Q. *Are the batteries replaceable?***

**A.** Yes. The label uses four standard AG10 Button Cell batteries, which are similar to the type used in a standard wristwatch. Instructions for replacement are included. NOTE: Your recorded message will remain stored even when the batteries are being replaced.

## **Q. *Are the Batteries expensive?***

**A.** The price really depends on where they are purchased. AG10 Batteries are available from many Retail Stores and some do charge a high price. Spare sets of batteries are available to purchase from our web site at discounted prices.

## **Q. *Can Talking Labels be used in other ways as well?***

**A.** Yes. The Metal Clip will allow you to attached the Label to a variety of objects and you can also buy an Adapter to fix the Label to flat surfaces.

## **Q. *Can Talking Labels be used on items that are stored in a Fridge?***

**A.** No. Although tests have proved that the Labels will still operate after being stored in a Fridge, in theory the condensation caused by cold conditions could cause damage to the electronic circuit and ultimately stop the label from working.

## **Q. *Can you wash the Talking Labels if they get dirty?***

**A.** Yes, but **never** immerse the label in water. Simply use a damp cloth to clean and ensure that no water gets into the Label. Liquid will cause damage to the electronic circuit and ultimately stop the label from working

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# Accessories

## Adapters

Two multi-purpose Adapters are available for fixing the label onto a variety of objects and flat surfaces. They are available with either a self-adhesive or a magnetic backing, offering huge potential for people who are Visually Impaired.

The Adapters allow you to use the Talking Labels for multiple applications. Simply attach the label to any object and record a descriptive message to identify it quickly and easily. Using the Talking Label with one of the Adapters will help you to identify virtually any object around the house, for example containers, boxes, packets, CD's, or clothing.



## Neck Strap

Neck Straps provide more opportunities for using a Talking Label. The cord loop attaches to the Label enabling you to wear it either around your neck or on a Key Ring.

You could use the Label to record a verbal reminder or maybe a set of important instructions. The universal attachment provides easy access for a variety of useful applications.



## Spare Batteries

Each Talking Label is supplied with two free sets of Batteries, one set comes already fitted inside the Label and the other set is supplied as a spare inside the product packaging.

Each Talking Label uses four AG10 Button Cell Batteries, which are similar to watch batteries. Spare sets of batteries are available to purchase from our web site or directly from your local distributor.



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