

Michigan demonstrates Toothbrush Pillow, an Anthem Pleasant product, at Assistive Technology Program

LANSING, MI, USA, March 14, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Michigan Disability Rights Coalition (MDRC) lending library of tools, devices, and assistive technology services for persons with physical or neurological impairments, is expanding in a small way.

The latest addition to the device demonstration is the Toothbrush Pillow, a small countertop HSA & FSA medical device that balances a toothbrush in the horizontal position with bristles up to aid and assist physically or neurologically impaired individuals in applying toothpaste. Like all the numerous devices and services available from Michigan Assistive Technology Program (MATP), the Toothbrush Pillow can be tried by the user before committing to its use.

MDRC cultivates disability pride and strengthens the disability movement by recognizing disability as a natural and beautiful part of human diversity while collaborating to dismantle all forms of oppression. MDRC envisions a world where people with disabilities:

• Live full lives within the community with equal rights, equity and





opportunities.

- Are valued as essential and vital members of the community.
- Can be their full selves, in all their identities, in all aspects of their lives
- Have space for self-discovery, to cultivate community, and to develop pride.

According to <u>CDC.gov</u> 4 percent of Michigan adults have a self-care disability, 13 percent with mobility disability, and 8 percent have an independent living disability. Independent living is described as serious difficulty doing errands alone, such as visiting a doctor's office and self-care is difficulty dressing or bathing.

Funding for MDRC is available through a government-sponsored program called Assistive Technology Act Programs (ATAP), administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. HHS works through various state agencies that work closely with individual users impacted by disabling conditions.

The Assistive Technology Industry Association (ATiA) defines Assistive technology (AT) is any item, piece of equipment, software program, or product system that is used to increase, maintain, or improve the functional capabilities of persons with disabilities.

The small Toothbrush Pillow, like thousands of other devices designed to assist disabled and elderly, is available at 31 out of 56 assistive technology locations throughout all 50 states, four US territories, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

About Toothbrush Pillow

The device is currently being used by individuals with Parkinson's, arthritis, Multiple Sclerosis (MS), stroke, Autism, and upper limb amputees. Occupational therapists supply the Toothbrush Pillow and teaches client's proper oral care. The device creates opportunities for individuals with daily oral care when dealing with extraordinary medical issues in the absent of medical doctors. Very economical, easy to use, and can be used independently. The intellectual property behind TBP is owned by American Businessman, Anthem Pleasant.

To learn more, please visit: http://www.toothbrushpillow.com/ or call 623.444.2985

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