



The Pencil Grip, Inc.

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Dear Colleague,

The object of The Pencil Grip is to provide a writing aid that promotes correct gripping and reduces stress on the fingers. This device precludes "white knuckling", which causes writer's cramp and stress. Writer's cramp and physical stress cause discomfort for the user, and interferes with cognitive functioning.

Physiology shows that the fullest cognition and control of directionality must come from the message sent by the ball socket joints. In writing, these messages must come from the shoulder. The "white knuckle scribble" blocks the messages from the shoulder. Unfortunately, the available devices that can be slipped onto a pencil offer no relief to this important physiology. The observations of children now using existing devices reveal the same bent fingers, the same cramped hands, and the same restricted movements.

The Pencil Grip is a pear-shaped body made of a pliable, non-toxic material with a hole through the longitudinal axis of the body for the insertions of a writing instrument. The Pencil Grip holds the fingers in a relaxed position by supporting the first knuckle of the thumb and index finger. This discourages writing with the fingers only and encourages full hand and arm action. It can be used with equal facility and effectiveness by both right-handed and left-handed persons.

Enclosed you will find a sample of The Pencil Grip and visual depictions of normal and abnormal grips. We are available to assist you and respond to your questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lois Provda".

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