Direct Mail Targeting Pediatric Neurologists

This three-wave direct mail campaign was developed to promote the anticonvulsant agent Tegretol[®] to pediatric neurologists. The communication objective was to highlight the side effects of the primary competitors of Tegretol, Dilantin[®] and valproic acid compounds such as Depakene[®] and Depakote[®].

The Humpty-Dumpty rhyme alludes to the coarsening of facial bones associated with Dilantin. This side effect was a suspected but not supportable claim until I found research that documented the effect following long-term use of Dilantin. The Georgie-Porgie rhyme underscores gingival hyperplasia, a well-known complication of therapy with Dilantin. The Rapunzel rhyme refers to the hair loss that can occur with valproic acid therapy.

The VP of Marketing liked this campaign so much, he hung the photo-ready art in his office.







