

The DAFO FA (Fixed Ankle) Softy uses a soft foam liner to provide more comfortable control of a fixed, less correctable foot, combined with a solid proximal upright to block both ankle plantarflexion and dorsiflexion. It was developed to serve smaller, lighter patients in need of wraparound foot control and strong ankle control without the extra weight of the two-part DAFO Turbo design. The DAFO FA is similar in appearance to the DAFO 3 but is taller and has a higher instep trimline and non-stretch anterior strap to block dorsiflexion. The solid upright blocks ankle plantarflexion. The modified instep trimline strengthens the anterior side of the brace, allowing it to support more of the forces generated by a crouched posture. The soft foam liner is ideal for patients with challenging foot anatomy, difficult to correct feet, or those prone to pressure points and irritation. The DAFO FA is best suited for smaller patients (under 65 lbs.) who present with strong crouching/excess dorsiflexion.



Key Features

Custom-fabricated from a cast

Fully integrated padding

Proximal component

blocks plantarflexion and dorsiflexion and provides excellent medial/lateral control

Full wraparound shell

for flexible control of foot position and alignment

Defined plantar surface contours

Softy Liner

made of foam provides more comfortable control of feet that are difficult to align or have sensitive boney prominences

Other liner materials are available

including Polyethylene, Co-poly, and OP Flex

Designed for patients who:

- Present with strong crouching/excess dorsiflexion.
- Show improved crouched stance when the knee is manually extended.
- Are in need of a solid-ankle brace design to limit ankle motion to a fixed position.
- Are smaller in size and do not warrant the support of the DAFO Turbo.
- Have sufficient hip, knee, and ankle range to allow correction to the targeted position.
- Require extra padding for feet with sensitive boney prominences.