Initial Research Survey:

- 1. Today's date
- 2. Name
- 3. Phone number
- 4. Date of birth
- 5. Age at time of visit
- 6. Race
- 7. Sex
- 8. Have you had a previous diagnosis of Sever's or calcaneal apophysitis?
- 9. Have you ever been diagnosed with a rheumatologic condition?
- 10. Have you ever had foot or ankle surgery?
- 11. Do you have diabetes?
- 12. Parent/guardian e-mail address
- 13. Street, city, state, zip
- 14. Shoe size
- 15. Circumference of foot (around arch/instep) (inches)
- 16. Height (cm)
- 17. Weight (kg)
- 18. BMI

Initial Survey:

- 1. What is your primary (barefoot) sport?
- 2. What heel is having pain?
- 3. How many hours a week do you participate in your sport?
- 4. How have you treated your symptoms for your Sever's disease?
- 5. Have you used a brace during your barefoot sport?
  - a. If so, what brace did you use?
- 6. Visual analog scale for pain assessment: If the far left of the line indicated NO PAIN and the far right end indicates the WORST pain imaginable, rate your pain by marking an X on the line.

| Pain in heel/foot during rest                       | No Pain<br> | Most Severe Pain |
|---|-------------|------------------|
| Pain in heel/foot during activities of daily living | No Pain<br> | Most Severe Pain |
| Pain in heel/foot during<br>barefoot sport          | No Pain<br> | Most Severe Pain |

Oxford Ankle Foot Questionnaire for Children (OxAFQ-C)

The questions below are based upon ways in which some young people told us they had been affected by a foot or ankle problem. We want you to think about each question, then put a tick or a cross next to the answer that best describes you; was it never a problem, or was it always a problem, or was it sometime in between?

All questions were answered using the following options:

- a. Never
- b. Rarely
- c. Sometimes
- d. Very often
- e. Always

Thinking about the last week...

- 1. Have you found walking difficult because of your foot or ankle?
- 2. Have you found it difficult to run because of your foot or ankle?
- 3. Has it been difficult to stand up for long periods?
- 4. Have you had pain in your foot or ankle?
- 5. Have your legs been sore or ached after walking or running?
- 6. Have you felt tired because of your foot or ankle?
- 7. Has your foot or ankle stopped you from joining in with others in the playground?
- 8. Has your foot or ankle stopped you playing in the park or outside?
- 9. Has your foot or ankle stopped you taking part in PE lessons?
- 10. Has your foot or ankle stopped you taking part in any other lessons at school?
- 11. Has the way you walk bothered you?
- 12. Have you been bothered by how your foot or ankle looks?
- 13. Has anyone been unkind to you because of your foot or ankle?
- 14. Have you been embarrassed because of your foot or ankle?
- 15. Has your foot or ankle stopped you wearing any shoes that you wanted to wear?

Monthly Follow-Up Survey

- 1. Today's date
- On a scale of 1-5, please rate the following statements (1 = not at all true; 2 = somewhat true; 3 = neither true nor false; 4 = somewhat true; 5 = completely true):
  - a. The brace improved my athletic performance
  - b. The brace's appearance was acceptable
  - c. The brace was comfortable
- 3. In the last month, how have you managed your symptoms from your Sever's disease? (Mark all that apply)
  - a. Physical therapy
  - b. Home exercise/stretches
  - c. Heel cups (in shoes)
  - d. Ice
  - e. None of the above
- 4. How many times did you do at home exercises/stretches?
  - a. None
  - b. Less than once a week
  - c. 1-2 times per week
  - d. About every other day
  - e. Nearly every day
  - f. More than once a day
- 5. In the past month, have you used any pain medicine (Ibuprofen/Advil,<sup>a</sup> Acetaminophen/Tylenol,<sup>b</sup> Naproxen/Aleve<sup>c</sup>) for your heel/foot pain?
- 6. Visual analog scale for pain assessment: If the far left of the line indicated NO PAIN and the far right end indicates the WORST pain imaginable, rate your pain by marking an X on the line.

| Pain in heel/foot during rest                       | No Pain<br>( | Most Severe Pain<br>Place a mark on the scale above) |
|---|--------------|--|
| Pain in heel/foot during activities of daily living | No Pain<br>( | Most Severe Pain<br>Place a mark on the scale above) |
| Pain in heel/foot during<br>barefoot sport          | No Pain<br>  | Most Severe Pain                                     |

- 7. Answer the following questions about activity and brace for WEEK 1 (refer to your activity calendar for assistance)
  - a. Hours participated in barefoot sport
  - b. Number of hours brace was word with barefoot sport
  - c. Did you sit out of your sport due to your heel pain?
- 8. Answer the following questions about activity and brace for WEEK 2 (refer to your activity calendar for assistance)
  - a. Hours participated in barefoot sport
  - b. Number of hours brace was word with barefoot sport
  - c. Did you sit out of your sport due to your heel pain?
- 9. Answer the following questions about activity and brace for WEEK 3 (refer to your activity calendar for assistance)
  - a. Hours participated in barefoot sport
  - b. Number of hours brace was word with barefoot sport
  - c. Did you sit out of your sport due to your heel pain
- 10. Answer the following questions about activity and brace for WEEK 4 (refer to your activity calendar for assistance)
  - a. Hours participated in barefoot sport
  - b. Number of hours brace was word with barefoot sport
  - c. Did you sit out of your sport due to your heel pain?
- 11. Notes about brace and/or brace wear (i.e. could not wear/the brace is too big/ likes/dislikes of the brace, etc.)

Following completion of the monthly follow-up survey, participants completed the Oxford Ankle Foot Questionnaire outlined above.