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Dear Hockey Community

Below is an update on the condition of Derek Zike, the Midget Minor U16 player who was injured in January.

Over the course of the last few days we have had a chance to speak to the Zike family regarding Derek's ever changing condition. Recently Derek has regained some movement in his tricep muscles which is a positive step. Over the past week or so, it seems there is something new every day for Derek in his long road to recovery. Derek also has regained movement in his toes voluntarily, and has had some movement in his fingers as well. Another great step in his progress. Derek's mom has been checking into various rehabilitation facilities in advanced preparation for Derek's release. The Zike family is targeting the end of March for a possible release from the hospital.

Thanks for everyone's prayers and best wishes.

Please check back to the Chicago Fury website for more updates on Derek's condition.