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Injured Buffalo wrestler standing on his own

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BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP)—Dan Bishop stood on his own for the first time as the University at Buffalo wrestler took the latest step in his recovery from a severe spinal cord injury.

Bishop stood for about 30 seconds and regained enough motor skills to send his first text message, the wrestler's father, Norm, said in release issued by the school Tuesday.

Bishop has been recovering at a hospital in Saginaw, Mich., since March 6. That's when he was hurt while competing in a Mid-American Conference semifinal match.

The senior from Whitehall, N.Y., sustained a fracture between two vertebrae and damage to a major artery.

His condition is improving so rapidly that doctors plan to transfer him to a rehabilitation hospital in Schenectady, N.Y., on Thursday.

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