

Trail Blazerâ€™s Aldridge to miss remainder of season

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LaMarcus Aldridge, in his rookie season with the Portland Trailblazers, will miss the remainder of the season following his recent diagnosis of Wolff-Parkinson-White syndrome.

A statement on the team web site said 21-year old Aldridge underwent testing on April 9 at Providence St. Vincentâ€™s Medical Center in Portland, and was treated successfully for the condition by Dr. Daniel Oseran.

According to WebMD, Wolff-Parkinson-White syndrome involves an abnormal electrical connection (or bypass tract) between the atria and ventricles of the heart. The bypass track allows electricity in the heart to travel abnormally fast and results in a very rapid heart rate, which untreated may result in palpitations, weakness, and shortness of breath.

Aldridge will be monitored by a cardiologist, is expected to make a full recovery, and should be cleared to resume physical activity â€œincluding basketballâ€• in the near future, the statement said.

Aldridge complained of dizziness and left the game against the Los Angeles Clippers at the Rose Garden on March 31st.

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