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Wade has knee surgery, expected out 8 weeks

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MIAMI (AP) -- Dwyane Wade of the NBA champion Miami Heat had surgery Monday on his left knee, and is expected to need up to eight weeks to fully recover.

Wade can begin therapy immediately and the Heat said the All-Star guard is expected to be ready for the start of training camp. The procedure took just 20 minutes, and Wade wrote on his Twitter page Monday afternoon that he is "doing fine."

Heat team physician Harlan Selesnick performed the operation at Doctors Hospital in Coral Gables, just outside of Miami.

Wade was bothered by knee pain and swelling throughout the playoffs. He had fluid removed midway through Miami's second-round series with Indiana and needed treatment several times a week during Miami's run to the title.

He opted to have the knee surgery early in the offseason with hopes of being ready to begin the season on time. The surgery forced Wade to withdraw from consideration for the U.S. Olympic team.

Wade played in all 23 Heat playoff games despite the knee problems



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