

Olympic Skier Maria Komissarova Doing Well, Doctors Say

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President Vladimir Putin visiting Maria Komissarova in hospital on Feb. 15.

Russian skier Maria Komissarova is on the road to recovery after breaking her back at the Sochi Winter Olympics, officials said Friday, citing the athlete's German doctors.

Komissarova, 23, sustained a fractured vertebrae with dislocation while training at the PSX Olympic ski-cross venue at Rosa Khutor Extreme Park.

Russian doctors performed an operation and she was later transferred to Munich, Germany, for further care.

"The patient's condition is stable and satisfactory," the Russian Freestyle Federation said in an online statement, adding that German doctors "have ascertained a certain positive dynamic in Maria Komissarova's condition."

Russian President Vladimir Putin visited Komissarova in a hospital near Sochi on Saturday.

Komissarova's best career result was second place at a World Cup event in 2012. She was not seen as a medal contender in the women's ski-cross competition, which was won by Canada's Marielle Thompson on Friday.

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