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Back in Hospital

Dublin

Edward M. Kennedy Jr., 12-year-old son of the Massachusetts senator, was in a Dublin hospital yesterday with what his father's office caled side-effects of a cancer treatment.

A spokesman for Senator Edward M. Kennedy said in Washington the boy was hospitalized Thursday after suffering a mild reaction traceable to treatments designed to prevent a recurrence of bone cancer. The disease resulted in amputation of a leg.

Young Kennedy arrived in Ireland June 19 for a month's vacation touring with schoolmates at St. Alan's School in Washington, D.C.

The Irish Independent, a Dublin newspaper, reported Kennedy was taken to the hospital after becoming ill while cruising on the River Shannon.

Since the amputation, young Kennedy has been undergoing weekend hospital treatment every three or four weeks, Dick Drayne, the senator's press secretary, said in Washington. There has been no recurrence of the cancer, Drayne added.

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