

Clearfield County

Common Outpatient Procedures for Clearfield County Residents in FY 2013



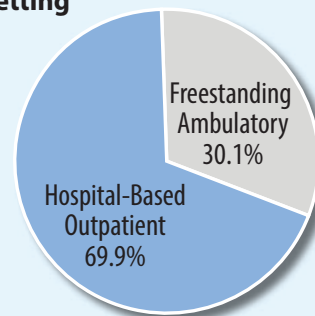
1 in 6. In FY 2013, 1 in 6 Clearfield County residents (12,874) underwent an outpatient procedure in a Pennsylvania (PA) facility. Some of these residents had multiple outpatient procedure visits, for a total of 18,559 visits.

1.9 million. Statewide, 1.9 million PA residents had an outpatient procedure in a PA facility and about 27% of these had several outpatient procedure visits, for a total of 2.9 million visits in FY 2013.

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3.1 million. Overall, PHC4 collected 3.1 million outpatient procedure records (for PA and non-PA residents) from 174 hospital-based outpatient departments and 275 freestanding ambulatory surgery centers in FY 2013.

Outpatient Procedure Records by Setting



This report focuses on 10 outpatient procedures commonly performed in PA, with specific data shown for Clearfield Co.

Common Outpatient Procedures	Total for County Residents	% Freestanding Ambulatory Center	% Hospital Outpatient Department	Procedure Rate per 10,000 Residents	
				County Rate	State Rate
Colonoscopy with/without Biopsy	2,572	19.3%	80.7%	316.8	325.4
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	255	12.9%	87.1%	31.4	17.4
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	292	38.0%	62.0%	36.0	28.2
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	105	12.4%	87.6%	12.9	14.2
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	86	20.9%	79.1%	10.6	12.1
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	1,350	47.8%	52.2%	166.3	146.2
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	353	0.0%	100.0%	43.5	19.8
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	286	20.3%	79.7%	35.2	19.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	177	3.4%	96.6%	21.8	18.2
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	276	47.8%	52.2%	34.0	30.1

Notes: These procedures were defined using the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality's Clinical Classifications Software. Outpatient procedures that were incorporated into inpatient records (e.g., outpatient diagnostic services for patients admitted to the hospital within 3 days of their outpatient visit) were not included here.

PHC4's outpatient procedure data, available through its special request program, is an important resource for health care facilities and providers, insurers, researchers, and consultants in studying issues such as access to care, cost and reimbursements, community need, and strategic planning.

Where did Clearfield County residents have these outpatient procedures?

(Top 3 facilities by number of procedures)

	Top 3 Facilities	Number (%)		Top 3 Facilities	Number (%)
• Colonoscopy with/ without Biopsy	DuBois Regional	1,227 (47.7%)	• Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	Laurel Laser/Brookville	426 (31.6%)
	Clearfield	530 (20.6%)		Clearfield	378 (28.0%)
	Geisinger Endo & SC	247 (9.6%)		DuBois Regional	281 (20.8%)
• Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	DuBois Regional	169 (66.3%)	• Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	Clearfield	140 (39.7%)
	Clearfield	28 (11.0%)		DuBois Regional	135 (38.2%)
	Mount Nittany SC	21 (8.2%)		Mount Nittany	31 (8.8%)
• Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	DuBois Regional	113 (38.7%)	• Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	DuBois Regional	137 (47.9%)
	UOC Surgical Services	57 (19.5%)		Clearfield	49 (17.1%)
	Clearfield	44 (15.1%)		Mount Nittany SC	35 (12.2%)
• Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	Clearfield	42 (40.0%)	• Repair of Hernia in Groin	Clearfield	65 (36.7%)
	DuBois Regional	23 (21.9%)		DuBois Regional	54 (30.5%)
	Mount Nittany SC	9 (8.6%)		Altoona Regional	14 (7.9%)
• Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	DuBois Regional	43 (50.0%)	• Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	UOC Surgical Services	103 (37.3%)
	Clearfield	15 (17.4%)		DuBois Regional	82 (29.7%)
	Altoona Regional SC	10 (11.6%)		Clearfield	29 (10.5%)

NR = Not reported due to volume limitations
 NA = Not applicable
 SC = Surgical/surgery center
 When ties occur, facilities are listed alphabetically.

Common outpatient procedures by payer breakdown

	Medicare	Medicaid	Commercial	Other*
Colonoscopy with/without Biopsy	36.5%	7.0%	52.8%	3.7%
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	14.5%	35.3%	47.8%	2.4%
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	27.7%	9.2%	58.6%	4.5%
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	35.2%	10.5%	50.5%	3.8%
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	29.1%	4.7%	60.5%	5.8%
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	77.0%	2.1%	19.9%	1.1%
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	19.5%	17.8%	60.6%	2.0%
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	1.0%	33.9%	59.4%	5.6%
Repair of Hernia in Groin	35.0%	7.9%	52.5%	4.5%
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	16.3%	6.2%	72.1%	5.4%

* Includes other government, self-pay and unknown payer.

Want to know what Medicare pays health care facilities in PA for common outpatient services such as cataract surgery, MRIs or biopsies? Then visit PHC4's website at www.phc4.org and click on the interactive database of Medicare Payment Information for Common Outpatient Services.

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