Fayette County

Common Outpatient Procedures for Fayette County Residents in FY 2013

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1 in 6. In FY 2013, 1 in 6 Fayette County residents (20,917) underwent an outpatient procedure in a Pennsylvania (PA) facility. Some of these residents had multiple outpatient procedure visits, for a total of 30,756 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.



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

Freestanding Ambulatory 30.1%

Hospital-Based Outpatient 69.9%

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

	Total for	% Freestanding	% Hospital	Procedure Rate per 10,000 Residents	
Common Outpatient Procedures	County Residents	Ambulatory Center	Outpatient Department	County Rate	State Rate
Colonoscopy with/without Biopsy	6,548	64.8%	35.2%	482.7	325.4
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	220	30.5%	69.5%	16.2	17.4
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	562	16.9%	83.1%	41.4	28.2
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	185	8.1%	91.9%	13.6	14.2
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	111	35.1%	64.9%	8.2	12.1
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	2,353	62.0%	38.0%	173.4	146.2
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	636	0.0%	100.0%	46.9	19.8
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	299	20.1%	79.9%	22.0	19.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	237	4.2%	95.8%	17.5	18.2
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	438	11.0%	89.0%	32.3	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 Fayette 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	Southwestern Endoscopy	3,710 (56.7%)	Removal of Cataract	Uniontown	675 (28.7%)
	Uniontown	745 (11.4%)	and Insertion of Lens	Southwestern PA Eye SC	400 (17.0%)
	Frick	507 (7.7%)		Mt Pleasant SC	301 (12.8%)
Drainage of Ear (Uniontown	66 (30.0%)	 Removal of 	Uniontown	392 (61.6%)
	CHP North SC	55 (25.0%)	Gallbladder and/or	Highlands	61 (9.6%)
	Children's Hosp Pgh/UPMC	33 (15.0%)	Gallstones	Monongahela Valley	57 (9.0%)
• Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	Uniontown	281 (50.0%)	 Removal of Tonsils 	Uniontown	111 (37.1%)
	Monongahela Valley	38 (6.8%)	and Adenoids	Children's Hosp Pgh/UPMC	52 (17.4%)
	* See footnote	29 (5.2%)		CHP North SC	42 (14.0%)
 Removal of Breast 	Uniontown	78 (42.2%)	 Repair of Hernia in 	Uniontown	100 (42.2%)
Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	Magee Womens/UPMC	26 (14.1%)	Groin	Monongahela Valley	24 (10.1%)
	Monongahela Valley	23 (12.4%)		** See footnote	18 (7.6%)
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	Uniontown	44 (39.6%)	 Repair of Torn Knee 	Uniontown	205 (46.8%)
	UPMC Mercy South Side SC	16 (14.4%)	Cartilage Monongahela Valley		76 (17.4%)
	Monongahela Valley	12 (10.8%)		Excela HIth Westmoreland	26 (5.9%)

NR = Not reported due to volume limitations

Common outpatient procedures by payer breakdown

	Medicare	Medicaid	Commercial	Other*
Colonoscopy with/without Biopsy	39.0%	9.4%	48.3%	3.3%
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	9.1%	45.5%	37.7%	7.7%
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	31.1%	18.0%	43.4%	7.5%
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	34.1%	12.4%	44.3%	9.2%
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	33.3%	14.4%	47.7%	4.5%
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	74.7%	4.1%	18.5%	2.7%
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	20.0%	23.6%	46.5%	9.9%
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	3.7%	44.5%	42.8%	9.0%
Repair of Hernia in Groin	32.5%	11.4%	46.4%	9.7%
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	19.2%	18.3%	54.8%	7.8%

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NA = Not applicable

SC = Surgical/surgery center

When ties occur, facilities are listed alphabetically.

^{*} Jefferson Regional and UPMC St. Margaret OP Ctr were tied at 29.

^{**} Highlands and Jefferson Regional were tied at 18.

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