Lawrence County

Common Outpatient Procedures for Lawrence County Residents in FY 2013

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1 in 6. In FY 2013, 1 in 6 Lawrence County residents (15,289) underwent an outpatient procedure in a Pennsylvania (PA) facility. Some of these residents had multiple outpatient procedure visits, for a total of 25,305 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 Lawrence 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	2,908	34.9%	65.1%	323.6	325.4
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	149	33.6%	66.4%	16.6	17.4
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	405	41.0%	59.0%	45.1	28.2
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	105	0.0%	100.0%	11.7	14.2
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	109	8.3%	91.7%	12.1	12.1
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	1,253	57.6%	42.4%	139.4	146.2
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	366	0.0%	100.0%	40.7	19.8
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	199	24.6%	75.4%	22.1	19.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	192	7.8%	92.2%	21.4	18.2
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	387	5.7%	94.3%	43.1	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 Lawrence 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	Jameson Memorial	1,156 (39.8%)	Removal of Cataract	Lawrence County SC	549 (43.8%)
	Four Seasons Endoscopy	845 (29.1%)	and Insertion of Lens	Jameson Memorial	302 (24.1%)
	Ellwood City	340 (11.7%)		Heritage Valley Beaver	91 (7.3%)
• Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	CHP North SC	48 (32.2%)	 Removal of 	Jameson Memorial	193 (52.7%)
	Jameson Memorial	38 (25.5%)	Gallbladder and/or	Ellwood City	57 (15.6%)
	Children's Hosp Pgh/UPMC	27 (18.1%)	Gallstones	Heritage Valley Beaver	40 (10.9%)
• Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	Jameson Memorial	86 (21.2%)	 Removal of Tonsils 	Jameson Memorial	60 (30.2%)
	UPMC St. Margaret OP Ctr	80 (19.8%)	and Adenoids	CHP North SC	44 (22.1%)
	Western PA SC	70 (17.3%)		Children's Hosp Pgh/UPMC	37 (18.6%)
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	Jameson Memorial	27 (25.7%)	Repair of Hernia in	Jameson Memorial	90 (46.9%)
	UPMC Horizon	17 (16.2%)	Groin	Ellwood City	25 (13.0%)
	UPMC Passavant	17 (16.2%)		Heritage Valley Beaver	13 (6.8%)
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	Jameson Memorial	46 (42.2%)	 Repair of Torn Knee 	Jameson Memorial	141 (36.4%)
	Ellwood City	18 (16.5%)	Cartilage	UPMC Horizon	55 (14.2%)
	UPMC Horizon	13 (11.9%)		Sharon Regional	53 (13.7%)

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	30.7%	5.1%	59.6%	4.6%
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	1.3%	40.3%	47.0%	11.4%
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	27.4%	8.1%	56.3%	8.1%
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	41.0%	8.6%	39.0%	11.4%
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	26.6%	14.7%	54.1%	4.6%
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	66.3%	2.4%	29.6%	1.7%
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	20.8%	8.2%	63.7%	7.4%
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	2.5%	30.2%	57.3%	10.1%
Repair of Hernia in Groin	36.5%	9.9%	48.4%	5.2%
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	19.6%	7.2%	65.4%	7.8%

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