Lebanon County

Common Outpatient Procedures for Lebanon County Residents in FY 2013

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1 in 4. In FY 2013, 1 in 4 Lebanon County residents (32,340) underwent an outpatient procedure in a Pennsylvania (PA) facility. Some of these residents had multiple outpatient procedure visits, for a total of 56,689 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 Lebanon 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	3,849	90.7%	9.3%	284.6	325.4
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	382	85.3%	14.7%	28.2	17.4
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	431	81.2%	18.8%	31.9	28.2
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	199	21.6%	78.4%	14.7	14.2
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	187	64.7%	35.3%	13.8	12.1
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	2,393	95.7%	4.3%	176.9	146.2
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	323	6.2%	93.8%	23.9	19.8
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	381	81.9%	18.1%	28.2	19.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	306	33.0%	67.0%	22.6	18.2
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	341	76.2%	23.8%	25.2	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 Lebanon 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	GSH Outpatient SC	1,102 (28.6%)	Removal of Cataract	SC of Lebanon	939 (39.2%)
	Endoscopy Ctr/Central PA	1,034 (26.9%)	and Insertion of Lens	Valley View SC	930 (38.9%)
	Hershey Endoscopy Center	572 (14.9%)		Hershey Outpatient SC	92 (3.8%)
Drainage of Ear	SC of Lebanon	249 (65.2%)	 Removal of 	Good Samaritan/Lebanon	203 (62.8%)
	Susquehanna Valley SC	51 (13.4%)	Gallbladder and/or	Milton S Hershey	65 (20.1%)
	Milton S Hershey	36 (9.4%)	Gallstones	SC of Lebanon	20 (6.2%)
• Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	SC of Lebanon	177 (41.1%)	 Removal of Tonsils 	SC of Lebanon	249 (65.4%)
	Hershey Outpatient SC	71 (16.5%)	and Adenoids	Milton S Hershey	34 (8.9%)
	Milton S Hershey	33 (7.7%)		Susquehanna Valley SC	32 (8.4%)
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	Good Samaritan/Lebanon	106 (53.3%)	Repair of Hernia in	Good Samaritan/Lebanon	120 (39.2%)
	Milton S Hershey	33 (16.6%)	Groin	SC of Lebanon	79 (25.8%)
	SC of Lebanon	26 (13.1%)		Milton S Hershey	55 (18.0%)
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	GSH Outpatient SC	67 (35.8%)	 Repair of Torn Knee 	SC of Lebanon	106 (31.1%)
	Milton S Hershey	29 (15.5%)	Cartilage	Susquehanna Valley SC	52 (15.2%)
	* See footnote	17 (9.1%)		Hershey Outpatient SC	46 (13.5%)

NR = Not reported due to volume limitations

Common outpatient procedures by payer breakdown

	Medicare	Medicaid	Commercial	Other*			
Colonoscopy with/without Biopsy	29.2%	3.1%	64.3%	3.5%			
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	9.7%	29.1%	55.8%	5.5%			
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	33.2%	7.7%	55.0%	4.2%			
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	40.7%	6.0%	48.2%	5.0%			
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	24.1%	4.3%	64.7%	7.0%			
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	73.3%	1.5%	21.7%	3.4%			
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	17.6%	11.1%	64.4%	6.8%			
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	1.6%	29.1%	63.3%	6.0%			
Repair of Hernia in Groin	22.2%	7.8%	62.4%	7.5%			
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	14.1%	7.0%	73.3%	5.6%			
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NA = Not applicable

SC = Surgical/surgery center

When ties occur, facilities are listed alphabetically.

^{*} Good Samaritan/Lebanon and Hershey Outpatient SC were tied at 17.

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