

Venango County

Common Outpatient Procedures for Venango County Residents in FY 2013



1 in 7. In FY 2013, 1 in 7 Venango County residents (7,964) underwent an outpatient procedure in a Pennsylvania (PA) facility. Some of these residents had multiple outpatient procedure visits, for a total of 13,392 visits.

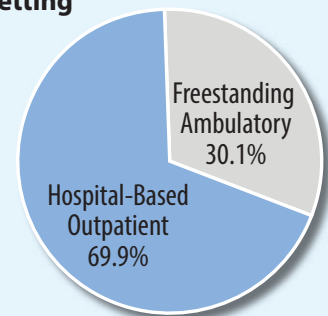
1.9 million. Statewide, 1.9 million PA residents had an outpatient procedure in a PA facility and about 27% of these had several outpatient procedure visits, for a total of 2.9 million visits in FY 2013.

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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 Venango 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	1,534	50.0%	50.0%	282.7	325.4
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	115	9.6%	90.4%	21.2	17.4
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	265	14.7%	85.3%	48.8	28.2
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	62	1.6%	98.4%	11.4	14.2
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	24	16.7%	83.3%	4.4	12.1
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	783	51.2%	48.8%	144.3	146.2
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	158	0.0%	100.0%	29.1	19.8
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	146	8.9%	91.1%	26.9	19.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	76	6.6%	93.4%	14.0	18.2
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	151	3.3%	96.7%	27.8	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 Venango 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	Surgery & Laser	700 (45.6%)	• Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	UPMC Northwest	283 (36.1%)
	UPMC Northwest	473 (30.8%)		Laurel Laser/Brookville	243 (31.0%)
	Titusville Area	78 (5.1%)		Community SC	123 (15.7%)
• Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	UPMC Northwest	88 (76.5%)	• Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	UPMC Northwest	116 (73.4%)
	CHP North SC	10 (8.7%)		Titusville Area	14 (8.9%)
	Children's Hosp Pgh/UPMC	6 (5.2%)		Clarion	6 (3.8%)
• Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	UPMC Northwest	179 (67.5%)	• Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	UPMC Northwest	111 (76.0%)
	Meadville	16 (6.0%)		CHP North SC	11 (7.5%)
	UPMC Hamot SC	10 (3.8%)		Children's Hosp Pgh/UPMC	8 (5.5%)
• Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	UPMC Northwest	41 (66.1%)	• Repair of Hernia in Groin	UPMC Northwest	47 (61.8%)
	Magee Womens/UPMC	8 (12.9%)		Titusville Area	9 (11.8%)
	Grove City	5 (8.1%)		NR	<5 (NR)
• Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	Grove City	7 (29.2%)	• Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	Meadville	62 (41.1%)
	Clarion	5 (20.8%)		UPMC Northwest	60 (39.7%)
	Meadville	5 (20.8%)		UPMC Horizon	9 (6.0%)

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	38.0%	6.3%	46.0%	9.7%
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	0.0%	44.3%	40.9%	14.8%
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	33.2%	6.8%	44.9%	15.1%
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	30.6%	1.6%	46.8%	21.0%
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	20.8%	4.2%	75.0%	0.0%
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	68.6%	3.6%	23.4%	4.5%
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	25.3%	17.1%	40.5%	17.1%
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	0.7%	30.8%	52.7%	15.8%
Repair of Hernia in Groin	31.6%	5.3%	51.3%	11.8%
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	17.2%	5.3%	64.2%	13.2%

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.

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

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