

# Bucks County



## Common Outpatient Procedures for Bucks County Residents in FY 2015

This brief focuses on 12 outpatient procedures commonly performed in Pennsylvania, with specific data shown for Bucks County.

**1 in 15 County Residents.** In FY 2015, 40,870 (1 in 15) Bucks County residents underwent at least one of the following 12 common outpatient procedures in a Pennsylvania (PA) facility. Some of these residents had multiple outpatient visits, for a total of 51,233 visits for these procedures.

Common Outpatient Procedures	Procedure Count for County Residents	% Freestanding Ambulatory Center	% Hospital Outpatient Department	Procedure Rate per 10,000 Residents	
				County Rate	State Rate
Colonoscopy with/without Biopsy	20,782	67.3%	32.7%	331.6	335.8
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	1,016	38.7%	61.3%	16.2	16.6
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	1,033	67.8%	32.2%	16.5	15.7
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	12,065	61.0%	39.0%	192.5	111.5
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	1,573	27.4%	72.6%	25.1	29.8
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	727	28.9%	71.1%	11.6	13.0
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	552	46.4%	53.6%	8.8	10.9
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	9,019	95.3%	4.7%	143.9	149.5
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	636	0.2%	99.8%	10.1	18.9
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	878	49.9%	50.1%	14.0	16.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	1,136	12.0%	88.0%	18.1	17.9
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	1,976	38.4%	61.6%	31.5	27.6

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. NR = Not reported due to volume limitations

Statewide, 801,686 PA residents had at least one of these outpatient procedures, and about 16% of residents had several visits, for a total of 972,061 outpatient visits for these 12 procedures for PA residents.

### PA Health Care Cost Containment Council



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

## Where did Bucks County residents have these outpatient procedures?

Includes data from FY 2014 through FY 2015 to maximize reporting

	Top 3 Facilities	Number (%)		Top 3 Facilities	Number (%)
Colonoscopy with/without Biopsy	Doylestown	9,851 (23.3%)	Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	St Mary	210 (17.3%)
	Endoscopy Center of Bucks	7,211 (17.1%)		Doylestown Hospital SC	153 (12.6%)
	Bucks County GI Endo SC	3,334 (7.9%)		ASC St. Mary	121 (10.0%)
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	Langhorne SC	455 (23.0%)	Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	Tri-County Eye Surgery	5,207 (28.6%)
	St Mary	451 (22.8%)		Wills SC Bucks County	2,408 (13.2%)
	Aria Health	265 (13.4%)		ASC St. Mary	2,070 (11.4%)
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	ASC Bucks County	629 (30.3%)	Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	St Mary	535 (40.7%)
	ASC St. Mary	463 (22.3%)		Aria Health	194 (14.8%)
	St Christopher's Children	220 (10.6%)		Abington Memorial	134 (10.2%)
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	St Mary	5,170 (22.0%)	Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	ASC St. Mary	456 (26.3%)
	Langhorne SC	3,940 (16.7%)		Doylestown	255 (14.7%)
	Aria Health	2,232 (9.5%)		ASC Bucks County	232 (13.4%)
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	St Mary	1,309 (41.4%)	Repair of Hernia in Groin	St Mary	606 (25.6%)
	New Britain SC	402 (12.7%)		Doylestown	445 (18.8%)
	Aria Health	197 (6.2%)		Aria Health	303 (12.8%)
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	St Mary	323 (20.8%)	Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	St Mary	783 (19.6%)
	Holy Redeemer	199 (12.8%)		Doylestown	594 (14.8%)
	Doylestown Hospital SC	132 (8.5%)		Doylestown Hospital SC	458 (11.4%)

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NA = Not applicable

SC = Surgical/Surgery Center

## Common outpatient procedures among county residents, by anticipated payer in FY 2015

	Medicare	Medicaid	Commercial	Other*
Colonoscopy with/without Biopsy	26.4%	2.6%	68.3%	2.8%
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	26.1%	2.6%	68.1%	3.2%
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	4.0%	15.7%	67.2%	13.2%
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	41.9%	3.0%	52.0%	3.1%
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	34.5%	3.9%	57.5%	4.1%
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	33.4%	3.2%	59.4%	4.0%
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	30.1%	1.3%	63.0%	5.6%
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	65.7%	1.6%	30.2%	2.6%
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	20.6%	5.8%	68.9%	4.7%
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	0.9%	15.9%	72.4%	10.7%
Repair of Hernia in Groin	27.4%	3.7%	64.3%	4.6%
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	14.2%	1.7%	77.9%	6.2%

\* Other government, self-pay, and unknown payer.

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

### About PHC4

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