Dauphin County

Common Outpatient Procedures for Dauphin County Residents in FY 2015



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

1 in 13 County Residents. In FY 2015, 20,235 (1 in 13) Dauphin 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 25,910 visits for these procedures.

	Procedure Count 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	10,801	80.6%	19.4%	397.9	335.8
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	493	11.8%	88.2%	18.2	16.6
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	502	51.0%	49.0%	18.5	15.7
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	5,432	77.2%	22.8%	200.1	111.5
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	1,013	75.1%	24.9%	37.3	29.8
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	344	9.0%	91.0%	12.7	13.0
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	304	53.0%	47.0%	11.2	10.9
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	4,659	95.9%	4.1%	171.6	149.5
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	561	0.4%	99.6%	20.7	18.9
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	391	45.8%	54.2%	14.4	16.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	495	20.8%	79.2%	18.2	17.9
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	1,009	73.0%	27.0%	37.2	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.

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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.



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 Dauphin County residents have these outpatient procedures?

Includes data from FY 2014 through FY 2015 to maximize reporting

	Top 3 Facilities	Number (%)
Colonoscopy with/without Biopsy	Harrisburg Endoscopy & SC	7,222 (34.9%)
	West Shore Endoscopy	3,190 (15.4%)
	Pinnacle Health	2,770 (13.4%)
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	Pinnacle Health	444 (45.3%)
	Holy Spirit	253 (25.8%)
	Milton S Hershey	136 (13.9%)
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	Susquehanna Valley SC	366 (39.0%)
	Milton S Hershey	296 (31.5%)
	West Shore SC	89 (9.5%)
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	Harrisburg Pain Mgmt	7,087 (64.3%)
	Pinnacle Health	1,756 (15.9%)
	PRISM Center	1,159 (10.5%)
Release of Carpal	Susquehanna Valley SC	711 (33.9%)
Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	Grandview Surgery & Laser	525 (25.0%)
	Pinnacle Health	366 (17.5%)
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	Pinnacle Health	392 (60.0%)
	Milton S Hershey	145 (22.2%)
	Holy Spirit	46 (7.0%)

	Top 3 Facilities	Number (%)		
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	Pinnacle Health	240 (34.8%)		
	Grandview Surgery & Laser	95 (13.8%)		
	Holy Spirit	83 (12.0%)		
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	Ophthalmology SC	2,518 (26.9%)		
	PA Eye SC	1,949 (20.8%)		
	Capital Surgery & Laser	1,873 (20.0%)		
Removal of	Pinnacle Health	708 (63.1%)		
Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	Milton S Hershey	256 (22.8%)		
	Holy Spirit	115 (10.2%)		
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	Milton S Hershey	265 (33.8%)		
	Susquehanna Valley SC	258 (32.9%)		
	Pinnacle Health	96 (12.2%)		
	Pinnacle Health	486 (48.9%)		
Repair of Hernia in Groin	Milton S Hershey	221 (22.2%)		
	Holy Spirit	78 (7.8%)		
D : (T !/	Susquehanna Valley SC	877 (41.8%)		
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	Grandview Surgery & Laser	521 (24.8%)		
	Pinnacle Health	457 (21.8%)		

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SC = Surgical/Surgery Center

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

	Medicare	Medicaid	Commercial	Other*
Colonoscopy with/without Biopsy	30.3%	3.7%	63.5%	2.4%
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	29.4%	7.5%	56.2%	6.9%
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	4.8%	28.7%	63.5%	3.0%
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	34.1%	2.0%	60.6%	3.3%
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	24.2%	9.7%	62.3%	3.8%
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	30.8%	8.4%	59.0%	1.7%
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	24.0%	7.6%	64.8%	3.6%
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	55.4%	2.9%	37.1%	4.6%
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	13.7%	10.0%	71.7%	4.6%
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	1.8%	27.1%	68.0%	3.1%
Repair of Hernia in Groin	24.2%	9.9%	62.0%	3.8%
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	15.1%	5.4%	74.4%	5.2%

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