

Huntingdon County

Common Outpatient Procedures for Huntingdon County Residents in FY 2015



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

1 in 14 County Residents. In FY 2015, 3,198 (1 in 14) Huntingdon 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 3,828 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	1,715	21.8%	78.2%	374.9	335.8
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	70	47.1%	52.9%	15.3	16.6
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	93	47.3%	52.7%	20.3	15.7
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	434	72.8%	27.2%	94.9	111.5
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	189	58.7%	41.3%	41.3	29.8
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	62	16.1%	83.9%	13.6	13.0
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	43	34.9%	65.1%	9.4	10.9
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	718	58.6%	41.4%	156.9	149.5
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	145	3.4%	96.6%	31.7	18.9
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	115	32.2%	67.8%	25.1	16.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	96	9.4%	90.6%	21.0	17.9
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	181	43.6%	56.4%	39.6	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 Huntingdon 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	J C Blair Memorial	2,342 (67.0%)	Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	J C Blair Memorial	28 (32.6%)
	Geisinger Gray's Woods	202 (5.8%)		UPMC Altoona SC	15 (17.4%)
	Allegheny Reg Endoscopy	190 (5.4%)		Nason	10 (11.6%)
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	Mount Nittany SC	57 (38.3%)	Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	J C Blair Memorial	362 (24.9%)
	UPMC Altoona	30 (20.1%)		Laurel Laser/Altoona	346 (23.8%)
	Mount Nittany	14 (9.4%)		Mifflin County Com SC	174 (12.0%)
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	J C Blair Memorial	63 (36.6%)	Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	J C Blair Memorial	98 (35.4%)
	UPMC Altoona SC	21 (12.2%)		UPMC Altoona	48 (17.3%)
	Advanced Center Surgery	18 (10.5%)		Mount Nittany	36 (13.0%)
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	Allegheny SC	407 (45.8%)	Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	J C Blair Memorial	113 (46.3%)
	Geisinger-Lewistown	198 (22.3%)		UPMC Altoona	23 (9.4%)
	Center for Surgical Arts	71 (8.0%)		Mount Nittany SC	22 (9.0%)
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	J C Blair Memorial	94 (25.1%)	Repair of Hernia in Groin	J C Blair Memorial	68 (35.8%)
	UOC Surgical Services	81 (21.7%)		UPMC Altoona	30 (15.8%)
	UPMC Altoona SC	50 (13.4%)		Mount Nittany	29 (15.3%)
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	Tyrone	57 (39.9%)	Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	J C Blair Memorial	96 (28.7%)
	J C Blair Memorial	24 (16.8%)		UOC Surgical Services	72 (21.5%)
	Mount Nittany SC	9 (6.3%)		Advanced Center Surgery	47 (14.0%)

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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	42.3%	4.6%	48.5%	4.5%
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	35.7%	NR	54.3%	NR
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	NR	49.5%	46.2%	NR
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	37.3%	7.1%	53.2%	2.3%
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	28.6%	11.1%	55.6%	4.8%
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	51.6%	NR	35.5%	NR
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	37.2%	NR	53.5%	NR
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	78.6%	2.2%	16.0%	3.2%
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	24.8%	17.9%	52.4%	4.8%
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	NR	36.5%	60.9%	NR
Repair of Hernia in Groin	29.2%	11.5%	45.8%	13.5%
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	18.2%	NR	72.4%	NR

* 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 and click on the interactive database of Medicare Payment Information for Common Outpatient Services.

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