

# Union County

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



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

**1 in 14 County Residents.** In FY 2015, 3,248 (1 in 14) Union 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 4,010 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	1,763	80.0%	20.0%	392.9	335.8
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	66	1.5%	98.5%	14.7	16.6
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	81	59.3%	40.7%	18.1	15.7
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	373	42.9%	57.1%	83.1	111.5
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	190	14.7%	85.3%	42.3	29.8
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	52	7.7%	92.3%	11.6	13.0
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	50	74.0%	26.0%	11.1	10.9
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	1,011	95.0%	5.0%	225.3	149.5
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	120	2.5%	97.5%	26.7	18.9
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	75	42.7%	57.3%	16.7	16.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	110	8.2%	91.8%	24.5	17.9
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	139	17.3%	82.7%	31.0	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 Union 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	Central PA Endoscopy Ctr	1,989 (54.7%)	Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	Brookpark SC	58 (63.0%)
	Geisinger/Danville	379 (10.4%)		Evangelical Community	10 (10.9%)
	Geisinger OP Woodbine	371 (10.2%)		Geisinger OP Woodbine	9 (9.8%)
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	Evangelical Community	86 (61.4%)	Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	SC Central PA	1,363 (70.7%)
	Divine Providence	19 (13.6%)		Betz Ophthalmology	360 (18.7%)
	Geisinger/Danville	17 (12.1%)		Geisinger OP Woodbine	119 (6.2%)
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	SC Central PA	65 (47.1%)	Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	Evangelical Community	159 (76.8%)
	Evangelical Community	28 (20.3%)		Geisinger/Danville	38 (18.4%)
	Geisinger/Danville	22 (15.9%)		NR	<5 (NR)
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	Evangelical Community	228 (36.5%)	Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	SC Central PA	55 (38.2%)
	Evangelical ASC	205 (32.8%)		Evangelical Community	50 (34.7%)
	Geisinger/Danville	140 (22.4%)		Geisinger/Danville	23 (16.0%)
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	Evangelical Community	206 (59.4%)	Repair of Hernia in Groin	Evangelical Community	157 (73.0%)
	Geisinger OP Woodbine	45 (13.0%)		Geisinger/Danville	26 (12.1%)
	Geisinger/Danville	30 (8.6%)		Geisinger OP Woodbine	13 (6.0%)
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	Evangelical Community	83 (76.1%)	Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	Evangelical Community	160 (61.3%)
	Divine Providence	7 (6.4%)		Geisinger OP Woodbine	41 (15.7%)
	Geisinger/Danville	7 (6.4%)		Geisinger-Bloomsburg	27 (10.3%)

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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	39.6%	3.7%	42.7%	14.1%
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	19.7%	7.6%	54.5%	18.2%
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	NR	34.6%	64.2%	NR
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	49.9%	4.0%	41.0%	5.1%
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	27.9%	8.4%	59.5%	4.2%
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	51.9%	NR	40.4%	NR
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	40.0%	NR	52.0%	NR
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	66.8%	2.0%	29.8%	1.5%
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	15.0%	13.3%	63.3%	8.3%
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	NR	33.3%	62.7%	NR
Repair of Hernia in Groin	31.8%	NR	38.2%	NR
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	10.8%	NR	79.1%	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](http://www.phc4.org) and click on the interactive database of Medicare Payment Information for Common Outpatient Services.*

### About PHC4

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