

# Clarion County

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



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

**1 in 15 County Residents.** In FY 2015, 2,560 (1 in 15) Clarion 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 3,367 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	1,169	20.4%	79.6%	301.1	335.8
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	107	2.8%	97.2%	27.6	16.6
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	47	17.0%	83.0%	12.1	15.7
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	652	2.5%	97.5%	168.0	111.5
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	172	37.8%	62.2%	44.3	29.8
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	36	0.0%	100.0%	9.3	13.0
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	29	27.6%	72.4%	7.5	10.9
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	805	79.5%	20.5%	207.4	149.5
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	121	2.5%	97.5%	31.2	18.9
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	81	8.6%	91.4%	20.9	16.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	67	6.0%	94.0%	17.3	17.9
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	94	5.3%	94.7%	24.2	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. 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 Clarion 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	Clarion	1,210 (54.6%)	Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	Clarion	29 (47.5%)
	Surgery & Laser	198 (8.9%)		SC at Benbrook	12 (19.7%)
	UPMC Northwest	198 (8.9%)		ACMH	5 (8.2%)
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	Clarion	102 (48.6%)	Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	Laurel Laser/Brookville	1,113 (73.8%)
	UPMC Northwest	47 (22.4%)		Clarion	152 (10.1%)
	ACMH	15 (7.1%)		SC at Benbrook	57 (3.8%)
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	Penn Highlands/DuBois	34 (30.1%)	Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	Clarion	121 (51.7%)
	CHP North SC	24 (21.2%)		UPMC Northwest	35 (15.0%)
	UPMC Northwest	23 (20.4%)		Penn Highlands/Brookville	21 (9.0%)
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	Clarion	529 (39.8%)	Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	Clarion	55 (31.8%)
	Edgewood Surgical	294 (22.1%)		UPMC Northwest	39 (22.5%)
	ACMH	155 (11.7%)		Penn Highlands/DuBois	25 (14.5%)
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	UPMC Northwest	93 (26.9%)	Repair of Hernia in Groin	Clarion	64 (47.4%)
	Clarion	81 (23.4%)		UPMC Northwest	21 (15.6%)
	Western PA SC	38 (11.0%)		Penn Highlands/Brookville	9 (6.7%)
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	Clarion	25 (36.8%)	Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	Clarion	64 (33.0%)
	Magee Womens/UPMC	11 (16.2%)		UPMC Northwest	38 (19.6%)
	* See footnote	7 (10.3%)		ACMH	26 (13.4%)

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\* UPMC Horizon and UPMC Passavant were tied at 7.

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	38.9%	5.6%	47.4%	8.1%
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	37.4%	6.5%	40.2%	15.9%
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	NR	31.9%	55.3%	NR
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	55.2%	8.3%	29.4%	7.1%
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	26.2%	8.7%	56.4%	8.7%
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	30.6%	NR	50.0%	NR
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	31.0%	NR	62.1%	NR
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	79.8%	1.1%	17.1%	2.0%
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	28.9%	18.2%	47.1%	5.8%
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	NR	37.0%	53.1%	NR
Repair of Hernia in Groin	37.3%	11.9%	41.8%	9.0%
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	19.1%	7.4%	67.0%	6.4%

\* 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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