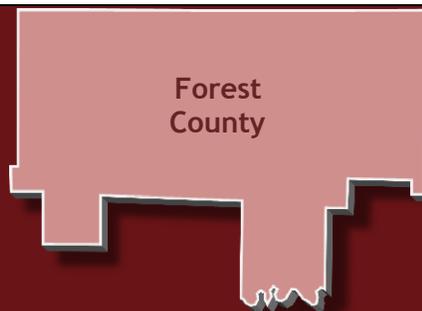


Forest County

Common Outpatient Procedures for Forest County Residents in FY 2015



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

1 in 18 County Residents. In FY 2015, 412 (1 in 18) Forest 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 510 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	192	26.0%	74.0%	255.4	335.8
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	7	0.0%	100.0%	9.3	16.6
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	5	20.0%	80.0%	6.7	15.7
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	64	6.3%	93.8%	85.1	111.5
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	25	24.0%	76.0%	33.3	29.8
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	5	0.0%	100.0%	6.7	13.0
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	<5	NR	NR	NR	10.9
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	161	77.6%	22.4%	214.2	149.5
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	14	0.0%	100.0%	18.6	18.9
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	9	0.0%	100.0%	12.0	16.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	12	0.0%	100.0%	16.0	17.9
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	12	25.0%	75.0%	16.0	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 Forest 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	115 (31.7%)	Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	NR	<5 (NR)
	Titusville Area	62 (17.1%)		NR	<5 (NR)
	Surgery & Laser	46 (12.7%)		NR	<5 (NR)
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	NR	<5 (NR)	Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	Laurel Laser/Brookville	156 (50.0%)
	NR	<5 (NR)		Community SC	30 (9.6%)
	NR	<5 (NR)		Pine Grove ASC	18 (5.8%)
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	UPMC Northwest	6 (37.5%)	Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	Clarion	12 (38.7%)
	NR	<5 (NR)		Titusville Area	6 (19.4%)
	NR	<5 (NR)		NR	<5 (NR)
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	Clarion	40 (29.2%)	Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	UPMC Northwest	9 (50.0%)
	Edgewood Surgical	33 (24.1%)		NR	<5 (NR)
	Meadville	19 (13.9%)		NR	<5 (NR)
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	UPMC Northwest	17 (34.0%)	Repair of Hernia in Groin	Clarion	7 (23.3%)
	Clarion	7 (14.0%)		Kane Community	6 (20.0%)
	NR	<5 (NR)		UPMC Northwest	6 (20.0%)
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	NR	<5 (NR)	Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	UPMC Northwest	11 (39.3%)
	NR	<5 (NR)		NR	<5 (NR)
	NR	<5 (NR)		NR	<5 (NR)

NR = Not reported due to volume limitations

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	40.6%	5.7%	39.1%	14.6%
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	NR	NR	NR	NR
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	NR	NR	NR	NR
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	45.3%	NR	39.1%	NR
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	52.0%	NR	24.0%	NR
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	NR	NR	NR	NR
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	NR	NR	NR	NR
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	74.5%	NR	21.7%	NR
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	35.7%	NR	50.0%	NR
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	NR	NR	66.7%	NR
Repair of Hernia in Groin	NR	NR	58.3%	NR
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	NR	NR	58.3%	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.

About PHC4

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