

Montgomery County

Common Outpatient Procedures for Montgomery County Residents in FY 2015



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

1 in 15 County Residents. In FY 2015, 53,735 (1 in 15) Montgomery 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 64,171 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	28,698	75.7%	24.3%	351.3	335.8
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	864	24.2%	75.8%	10.6	16.6
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	1,487	71.8%	28.2%	18.2	15.7
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	11,459	80.3%	19.7%	140.3	111.5
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	1,586	48.0%	52.0%	19.4	29.8
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	1,260	19.6%	80.4%	15.4	13.0
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	794	42.8%	57.2%	9.7	10.9
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	12,719	86.4%	13.6%	155.7	149.5
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	768	0.1%	99.9%	9.4	18.9
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	934	51.3%	48.7%	11.4	16.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	1,429	24.8%	75.2%	17.5	17.9
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	2,305	48.7%	51.3%	28.2	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 Montgomery 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	Springfield ASC	6,787 (11.8%)	Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	New Britain SC	249 (15.1%)
	Abington Endoscopy	4,747 (8.2%)		Pottstown Memorial	140 (8.5%)
	Endoscopy Center	3,822 (6.6%)		Pennsylvania	105 (6.3%)
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	Pottstown Memorial	242 (14.3%)	Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	Eye SC	6,259 (23.7%)
	Keystone Kidney Center	229 (13.5%)		Montgomery SC	3,730 (14.1%)
	Lansdale	162 (9.6%)		Wills Eye SC Plymouth Mtg	2,761 (10.5%)
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	ASC Bucks County	719 (25.2%)	Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	Abington Memorial	324 (20.0%)
	CHOP ASC Exton	580 (20.3%)		Einstein Montgomery	198 (12.2%)
	Abington SC	431 (15.1%)		Pottstown Memorial	134 (8.3%)
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	Abington SC	5,647 (24.5%)	Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	Abington SC	263 (13.7%)
	Main Line Spine SC	3,861 (16.7%)		ASC Bucks County	220 (11.5%)
	New Britain SC	2,394 (10.4%)		Children's Hosp Phila	204 (10.6%)
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	New Britain SC	484 (14.7%)	Repair of Hernia in Groin	Abington SC	350 (11.8%)
	Lansdale	228 (6.9%)		Lansdale	339 (11.4%)
	Physicians Care	208 (6.3%)		Abington Memorial	287 (9.6%)
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	Phoenixville	310 (11.6%)	Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	New Britain SC	912 (19.3%)
	Abington Memorial	238 (8.9%)		Blue Bell SC	281 (5.9%)
	Einstein Montgomery	224 (8.4%)		Main Line Paoli	256 (5.4%)

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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	27.9%	2.5%	65.6%	4.0%
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	22.5%	5.2%	69.2%	3.1%
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	5.9%	11.4%	69.3%	13.4%
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	40.3%	2.6%	53.2%	3.9%
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	33.4%	3.2%	60.6%	2.8%
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	33.1%	3.9%	59.5%	3.5%
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	26.8%	2.4%	66.1%	4.7%
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	65.2%	1.6%	29.9%	3.4%
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	20.6%	5.6%	69.7%	4.2%
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	1.1%	14.1%	76.7%	8.1%
Repair of Hernia in Groin	30.2%	4.2%	61.7%	4.0%
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	16.7%	2.1%	76.5%	4.7%

* 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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