

# Potter County

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

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

**1 in 14 County Residents.** In FY 2015, 1,190 (1 in 14) Potter 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 1,470 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	659	4.9%	95.1%	383.0	335.8
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	19	0.0%	100.0%	11.0	16.6
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	21	19.0%	81.0%	12.2	15.7
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	216	2.3%	97.7%	125.5	111.5
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	63	6.3%	93.7%	36.6	29.8
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	19	10.5%	89.5%	11.0	13.0
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	31	0.0%	100.0%	18.0	10.9
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	278	25.9%	74.1%	161.6	149.5
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	56	0.0%	100.0%	32.5	18.9
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	32	3.1%	96.9%	18.6	16.1
Repair of Hernia in Groin	27	3.7%	96.3%	15.7	17.9
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	53	1.9%	98.1%	30.8	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 Potter 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	Charles Cole Memorial	1,041 (84.3%)	Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	Charles Cole Memorial	55 (91.7%)
	Bradford Regional	57 (4.6%)		NR	<5 (NR)
	Soldiers & Sailors	48 (3.9%)		NR	<5 (NR)
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	Bradford Regional	22 (61.1%)	Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	Charles Cole Memorial	355 (64.4%)
	NR	<5 (NR)		Penn Highlands Elk SC	121 (22.0%)
	NR	<5 (NR)		Robert Packer	14 (2.5%)
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	Charles Cole Memorial	22 (40.0%)	Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	Charles Cole Memorial	78 (77.2%)
	Penn Highlands/DuBois	7 (12.7%)		Soldiers & Sailors	8 (7.9%)
	* See footnote	6 (10.9%)		Bradford Regional	6 (5.9%)
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	Charles Cole Memorial	322 (85.9%)	Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	Charles Cole Memorial	51 (63.0%)
	Robert Packer	19 (5.1%)		Geisinger/Danville	8 (9.9%)
	NR	<5 (NR)		Penn Highlands/DuBois	7 (8.6%)
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	Charles Cole Memorial	105 (78.9%)	Repair of Hernia in Groin	Charles Cole Memorial	32 (61.5%)
	UPMC Hamot SC	5 (3.8%)		Bradford Regional	9 (17.3%)
	NR	<5 (NR)		NR	<5 (NR)
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	Charles Cole Memorial	28 (63.6%)	Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	Charles Cole Memorial	87 (88.8%)
	Bradford Regional	5 (11.4%)		NR	<5 (NR)
	NR	<5 (NR)		NR	<5 (NR)

NR = Not reported due to volume limitations

NA = Not applicable

SC = Surgical/Surgery Center

\* Bradford Regional and Geisinger OP Woodbine were tied at 6.

## Common outpatient procedures among county residents, by anticipated payer in FY 2015

	Medicare	Medicaid	Commercial	Other*
Colonoscopy with/without Biopsy	35.5%	5.8%	53.1%	5.6%
Disintegration of Kidney Stones using Shock Waves	57.9%	NR	31.6%	NR
Incision and Drainage of Ear Drum	NR	38.1%	47.6%	NR
Injection of Spine for Pain Management	48.6%	11.1%	37.5%	2.8%
Release of Carpal Tunnel and Other Nerves in Arms/Legs	34.9%	NR	57.1%	NR
Removal of Breast Tumor or Partial Mastectomy	42.1%	NR	47.4%	NR
Removal of Bunion and Repair of Toe Deformity	22.6%	NR	54.8%	NR
Removal of Cataract and Insertion of Lens	70.1%	4.3%	23.0%	2.5%
Removal of Gallbladder and/or Gallstones	25.0%	NR	51.8%	NR
Removal of Tonsils and Adenoids	NR	37.5%	56.3%	NR
Repair of Hernia in Groin	44.4%	NR	48.1%	NR
Repair of Torn Knee Cartilage	NR	15.1%	71.7%	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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