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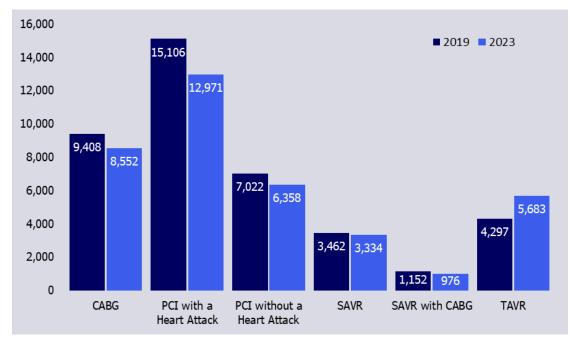
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## PHC4's Cardiac Procedures Report, Displays Mortality, Volume, and Average Hospital Charge for Six Cardiac Procedures in Pennsylvania

**Harrisburg** – PHC4's *Cardiac Procedures Report*, released today, displays results for six cardiac procedures performed in Pennsylvania acute care hospitals from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2023. This report displays hospital-specific ratings for in-hospital mortality, readmissions, extended postoperative length of stay, volume of cases, and average hospital charges.

Barry D. Buckingham, PHC4's Executive Director, strives to ensure PHC4's reporting continuously brings value to the stakeholders it supports. "Providing as much insight as possible empowers professionals and patients in Pennsylvania with fact-based information to make informed decisions, which is at the core of our mission at PHC4." Buckingham went on to state that PHC4 aims to go on supporting Pennsylvanians by continuously enriching its publicly available, fact-based, health care reporting.

The six procedure types reported in the *Cardiac Procedures Report* are coronary artery bypass graft (CABG), percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI) with and without a heart attack, surgical aortic valve replacement (SAVR), SAVR with CABG, and transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR). Also included for these procedure types is data displaying statewide Medicare payments. Visualizations also offer insight within the *Cardiac Procedures Report*, like the graph below showing changes in the volume of cases from 2019 to 2023.





## Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council (PHC4)

PHC4 is an independent council formed under Pennsylvania statute (Act 89 of 1986, as amended by Act 15 of 2020) in order to address rapidly growing health care costs. PHC4 continues to produce comparative information about the most efficient and effective health care to individual consumers and group purchasers of health services. In addition, PHC4 produces information used to identify opportunities to contain costs and improve the quality of care delivered.

For more information, visit <u>phc4.orq</u> or access the report <u>here</u>.

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