

Cost Savings that Result from Appropriate NurseAdvice New Mexico Emergency Room Diversions

Insurance Status/Payer Source	Number Indicating They Would Have Gone to the ER (FY14)	Number Appropriately Diverted to Lower Level of Care (FY14)	Percentage Diverted	at \$1,276 Cost Savings per Visit Diverted	at \$1,197 Cost Savings per ER Visit Diverted	Savings to entity	Savings to entity
Total I H S	93	59	63.44%	\$75,284.00	\$70,623.00	\$70,623.00	Savings to Indian Health Services, taxpayers and hospitals
Total Medicaid	2,971	2,036	68.53%	\$2,597,936.00	\$2,437,092.00		
Total Medicare	502	296	58.96%	\$377,696.00	\$354,312.00	\$2,791,404.00	Savings to taxpayers through federal and state governments
Total Insured	2,213	1,501	67.82%	\$1,915,276.00	\$1,796,697.00	\$1,796,697.00	Savings to insurance companies
Total Uninsured	953	561	58.87%	\$715,836.00	\$671,517.00	\$671,517.00	Savings to taxpayers and hospitals
Total Not known	5	4	80.00%	\$5,104.00	\$4,788.00		
Total	6,737	4,457	66.16%	\$5,687,132.00	\$5,335,029.00	\$5,335,029.00	Total savings to system

1. *Healthcare Bluebook* for Level 2 ER visit and physician fee at:

https://healthcarebluebook.com/page_ProcedureDetails.aspx?id=239&dataset=md&g=Emergency+Department+Visit%2c+Level+2

2. *Healthcare Bluebook* for a Level 2 ER visit minus the cost of a Level 2 office visit for an established patient, level 2 at:

https://healthcarebluebook.com/page_ProcedureDetails.aspx?id=224&dataset=MD&g=Office+Visit%2c+Established+Patient%2c+Level+2

3. According to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality at the US Department of Health and Human Services, the average cost of an ER visit in the United States in 2008 was \$1,265. (at:

[http://meps.ahrq.gov/mepsweb/data_stats/tables/compendia/hh/interactive.jsp?SERVICE=MEPSSocket0&PROGRAM=MEPSPGM.TC.SAS&File=HCFY2008&Table=HCFY2008%5FPLEXP%5FE&VAR1=AGE&VAR2=SEX&VAR3=RACETH5C&VAR4=INSURCOV&VAR5=POVCAT08&VAR6=MSA&VAR7=REGION&VAR8=HEALTH&VARO1=4+17+44+64&VARO2=1&VARO3=1&VARO4=1&VARO5=1&VARO6=1&VARO7=1&VARO8=1&Debug=\)](http://meps.ahrq.gov/mepsweb/data_stats/tables/compendia/hh/interactive.jsp?SERVICE=MEPSSocket0&PROGRAM=MEPSPGM.TC.SAS&File=HCFY2008&Table=HCFY2008%5FPLEXP%5FE&VAR1=AGE&VAR2=SEX&VAR3=RACETH5C&VAR4=INSURCOV&VAR5=POVCAT08&VAR6=MSA&VAR7=REGION&VAR8=HEALTH&VARO1=4+17+44+64&VARO2=1&VARO3=1&VARO4=1&VARO5=1&VARO6=1&VARO7=1&VARO8=1&Debug=))

