

Handout #2
Plans for Study to Evaluate Allowing PCI in ASCs in Maryland

Cost and Benefits for Patients

- Most of the population in Maryland appears to have good geographic access to PCI services.
- Most patients have insurance and will not be paying out of pocket for services.
- Are there any substantial costs or benefits for patients that should be measured or evaluated through further research?

Costs and Benefits for Hospitals and Interventionalists/Other Physicians

- How many interventionalists will likely split time between performing procedures in hospitals and performing procedures in an ASC?
 - What are the costs and benefits of various possibilities?
- Will the work of other physicians be affected by a decision to allow elective PCI in ASCs?
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- The costs and benefits for hospitals will require detailed data collection and careful analysis. There are several key issues that MHCC staff has identified that merit further discussion. (refer to Handout #3)