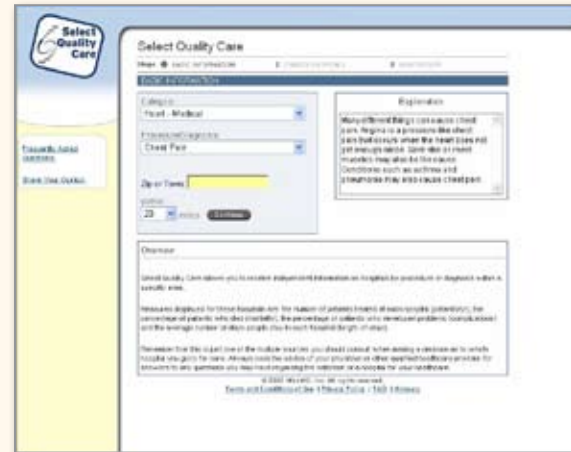


# Health Care Cost and Quality Tools at [www.wellmark.com](http://www.wellmark.com)

Smart Health Care Choices Start with Information

## SELECT QUALITY CARE

Use the Select Quality Care tool powered by WebMD® Quality Services to review and compare information for 161 procedures or diagnoses for hospitals throughout the United States. Information includes the number of patients treated at the hospital for that procedure or diagnosis, the complications rate, and length of stay.



**Condition Cost by Medical Condition Category**

Area: Des Moines  
 Condition Category: Bladder and Urinary Tract Conditions and Diseases

An Episode of Care represents all services rendered during treatment for an instance of a disease or health condition, with its related circumstances.

Click on a condition to see details about the type of care and the setting whose care is provided.

Condition	More Info	Range of Episode Length (Days)		Range of Episode Cost	
		Low	High	Low	High
Nephrectomy (partial/nephroureterectomy)	More Info	41	50	\$222.00	\$2,371.00
Nephrectomy (total)	More Info	11	14	\$7,215.00	\$14,369.00
Urology tract conditions	More Info	41	11	\$73.00	\$257.00
Urology tract surgery	More Info	3	87	\$2,425.00	\$6,900.00
Urology tract (non-renal) medical services, non-surgical	More Info	41	2	\$99.00	\$419.00
Urology tract (renal) surgery, non-vascular	More Info	11	81	\$1,750.00	\$13,345.00
Urology tract (renal) (non-renal) medical services, vascular	More Info	41	217	\$377.00	\$2,915.00
Urology tract (renal) surgery, vascular	More Info	201	361	\$7,870.00	\$26,999.00
Sexually transmitted diseases	More Info	41	19	\$78.00	\$273.00

How Are These Numbers Determined?

Search Again

## TREATMENT COST ESTIMATOR

The Treatment Cost Estimator tool lets you research cost estimates for more than 600 common medical conditions. The information you will find is based on a “complete episode of care,” so it includes information on hospital costs, physician costs, prescription drug costs, and other related costs you may want to consider.

## TRY THE TOOLS NOW:

1. Go to [www.wellmark.com](http://www.wellmark.com); select the *Find a Doctor or Hospital* link under *Quick Links*; then choose *National Doctor & Hospital Finder (BlueCard®)* in the left navigation bar.
2. Enter the three-letter alpha prefix from your Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield ID card to continue.

To Use the Select Quality Care tool	To Use the Treatment Cost Estimator tool
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under <i>Related Links</i> select <i>Review hospital profiles</i></li> <li>• Accept Terms &amp; Conditions</li> <li>• Enter category, procedures/diagnosis, zip code, and mileage</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under <i>Related Links</i> select <i>Review cost information</i></li> <li>• Accept Terms &amp; Conditions</li> <li>• Enter age, gender, zip code, and choose a medical condition from the drop-down menu</li> </ul>