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| **Test/Treatment** | **Benefit** | **Harm** | **Inpatient Charges** | **Outpatient Charges** |
| 3 nights in the hospital |  |  | $5,016 |  |
| Physician fee x 3 days |  |  | $600  |  |
| Consulting physician fee x 3 days |  |  | $900  |  |
| Electrolyte panel x 3 days |  |  | $411 |  |
| CBC with differential x 3 days |  |  | $411 |  |
| CXR |  |  | $604 |  |
| Chest CT |  |  | $4,000 |  |
| Respiratory viral panel |  |  | $1,113 |  |
| Blood cultures (2) |  |  | $406 |  |
| Sputum culture |  |  | $131 |  |
| *Legionella* urine Ag |  |  | $279 |  |
| Pneumococcal urine Ag |  |  | $193 |  |
| Antibiotics x 3 days |  |  | $85 |  |
| TOTAL |  |  |  |  |

Compare Inpatient vs. Outpatient Charges for Community-Acquired Pneumonia

1. Review and total the inpatient charges for this patient (healthcarebluebook.com).

2. Identify unnecessary tests and treatments for this patient (low-value care).

3. Calculate how much money and harm you could save by treating this patient in the ambulatory setting instead of the hospital.

Compare charges/costs for care in the inpatient vs outpatient setting using one of these online resources:

[healthcarebluebook.com](https://healthcarebluebook.com/), [clearhealthcosts.com](http://clearhealthcosts.com/), [www.newchoicehealth.com/Directory/Procedure](http://www.newchoicehealth.com/Directory/Procedure) , [www.guroo.com](http://www.guroo.com)