4.6%

Physician visit(s) only

Physician and nonphysician visits

Nonphysician visit(s) only

Figure 1. Percent distribution of people with at least 1 ambulatory care office visit,

by type of provider: United States, 1996

29.6%

podiatrists, optometrists, physical and occupational therapists, and mental health workers.

Note: Restricted to civilian noninstitutionalized population. Nonphysician providers include nurses and nurse practitioners, chiropractors,

65.8%

Source: Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey Household Component, 1996.