Retrieving Medical Records

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We estimate that approximately 820 ambulatory units (or emergency service areas) participating in NHAMCS will allow Census abstractors to complete the Patient Record forms. The average burden for these respondents is one minute for each form, which includes simply pulling and re-filing the medical records. On average, 100 patient visits are obtained from each ambulatory department with a total burden of 228 hours annualized over the three years.