

## Appendix XV

### Model Thresholds for Alterations in Routine Functions

1. STAGE 1: Emergency Department  
Emergency Department (ED) daily census 10% higher for 1 week in the setting of heightened public awareness and infection control screening without significant impact on inpatient census.
  - Hospital routine functions, with additional phlebotomy, radiology, spiritual care, care coordination and consultation support in the ED. (Goal: accommodate increased “worried well” patient volume, and streamline patient flow).
2. STAGE 2:  
1% of inpatients attributed to outbreak.
  - Defer all non-EMTALA transfers (except transplants if organs available); consider elective procedure cancellations, and alert affected services.
3. STAGE 3:  
5% of inpatient census attributed to outbreak, or 5% rooms prepared to accept patients affected by outbreak.
  - Cancel elective and research procedures.
4. STAGE 4:  
10% of inpatient census attributed to outbreak:
  - Austere care only.