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SPECIAL EDITION: Surge Capacity

In the preceding weeks, Rochester Regional Health implemented system-wide plans to handle the anticipated patient surge. Thanks to state-wide social distancing efforts, local surge potential is no longer as great as previously thought. However, continued examination of best practices for increased patient load is still warranted. Below are a selection of articles describing surge capacity methods for infectious disease outbreaks including COVID-19.

- [Hospital surge capacity in a tertiary emergency referral centre during the COVID-19 outbreak in Italy](#). Carenzo L, Costantini E, Greco M, Barra FL, Rendiniello V, Mainetti M, Bui R, Zanella A, Grasselli G, Lagioia M, Protti A, Cecconi M.
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- [Business and continuity of operations: care of the critically ill and injured during pandemics and disasters: CHEST consensus statement](#). Tosh PK, Feldman H, Christian MD, Devereaux AV, Kissoon N, Dichter JR; Task Force for Mass Critical Care; Task Force for Mass Critical Care.
- [Health care system surge capacity recognition, preparedness, and response](#). American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP).
- [Medical Surge Capacity](#). U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
- [Expedient methods for surge airborne isolation within healthcare settings during response to a natural or manmade epidemic](#). U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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