**Green - No Threat (1 of 3 criteria below met):**  No restrictions.  
- We have a vaccine that is broadly available and effective.
- We have herd immunity.
- We have an effective treatment.

**Blue - Cautious Normal (5 of 8 criteria below met):**  Large group activities may be limited. All businesses and recreational activities that can satisfy basic social distancing and hygiene precautions, subject to restrictions on group size, can expect to operate.  
- < 3 or more symptomatic individuals testing positive per day for any 3 days in a 7-day period.
- < 9 individuals self-reporting as symptomatic in a single day.
- Testing threshold is being met. **
- No concerns about being able to transfer patients to regional hospitals with adequate care.
- Hospital census is at normal (inpatient admissions & length of stay are similar to previous months/years) or predicted levels.
- GVH employees out with respiratory illness is less than 7%.
- PPE stockpile is sufficiently adequate to manage a surge for 28 days or more.
- No concerns about providing safe levels of care at GVH.

**Yellow - Community Concern (3 of 7 criteria below met):**  The public is encouraged to voluntarily increase social distancing and hygiene measures. At-risk individuals should take extra precautions.  
- 3 or more symptomatic individuals testing positive per day for any 3 days in a 7 day period.
- Testing threshold is not being met or more than 9 individuals self-reporting as symptomatic in a single day.
- No more than 60% of the 24-licensed beds filled at GVH with patients having COVID-19 illness.
- Regional transfer centers are seeing a surge in patients with COVID-19 (>50% full with COVID-19 cases), but still able to accept transfers from GVH.
- GVH employees out with respiratory illness is more than 15%.
- PPE supply is more than 28 days but restock sources may have moved to allocation supply chains.
- Once we have entered the Yellow Stage we will fall back to Blue 7 days after criteria for Blue are met.

**Orange - On Cliff (2 of 8 criteria below met):**  High risk business and recreational activities prohibited. Group size limited, with strong focus on social distancing and hygiene. In-state travel restrictions.  
- 6 or more symptomatic individuals testing positive per day on any 3 days in a 5 day period.
- Testing threshold is not being met or more than 18 individuals self-reporting as symptomatic in a single day.
- GVH is at more than 60% capacity of the 24-licensed beds being filled with patients who have COVID-19 illness.
- Regional transfer centers are filling with patients who have COVID-19 illness but still able to accept transfers from GVH; filling is > 50% of regularly-staffed ICU area (i.e. not an alternate care site).
- Alternate care site is being stood up for potential patient care needs.
- GVH employees out with respiratory illness is more than 15%.
- PPE supply is only sufficient to manage surge for less than 28 days.
- Once we have entered the Orange Stage we will fall back to Yellow 14 days after criteria for Yellow are met.

**Red - Severe (1 of 6 criteria below met):**  Only essential business activities permitted. Minimal group size for all activities. Social distancing and hygiene precautions mandatory. Essential travel only.  
- More than 10 symptomatic individuals testing positive on any single day.
- Testing threshold is not being met or more than 30 individuals self-reporting as symptomatic in a single day.
- Regional transfer centers are unable to accept COVID-19 admissions from GVH.
- GVH has resorted to Crisis Standards of Care, including use of the alternate care site.
- PPE stockpile is only sufficient to manage care of COVID-19 patients for less than 14 days.
- GVH patients needing a ventilator exceeds the number available.
- Once we have entered the Red Stage we will fall back to Orange 28 days after criteria for Orange are met.

*Note: This document is a guideline for Incident Command to assess the current viral threat to Gunnison county. Depending on potential future COVID-19 waves, Public Health may need to adjust the criterion in this scale to more readily address the threat of new infection spread.

**Definition: The threshold for adequate testing is being met when 75% or more of symptomatic individuals are being tested and county health is receiving results within 5 days of the test being performed.