

OUTBREAK TIMELINESS METRICS

OUTBREAK TIMELINESS METRICS ARE MEASURED AS THE TIME INTERVAL BETWEEN TWO RELEVANT OUTBREAK MILESTONES.

OUTBREAK MILESTONES	DEFINITION
OUTBREAK START	DATE OF SYMPTOM ONSET IN THE PRIMARY CASE OR EARLIEST EPIDEMIOLOGICALLY-LINKED CASE.
OUTBREAK DETECTION	DATE THAT THE OUTBREAK OR DISEASE-RELATED EVENT IS FIRST RECORDED BY ANY SOURCE OR IN ANY SYSTEM.
OUTBREAK NOTIFICATION	DATE THE OUTBREAK IS FIRST REPORTED TO A PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY.
OUTBREAK VERIFICATION	EARLIEST DATE OF OUTBREAK VERIFICATION THROUGH A RELIABLE VERIFICATION MECHANISM.
LABORATORY CONFIRMATION	EARLIEST DATE OF LABORATORY CONFIRMATION IN AN EPIDEMIOLOGICALLY-LINKED CASE.
OUTBREAK INTERVENTION	EARLIEST DATE OF ANY PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTION TO CONTROL THE OUTBREAK.
PUBLIC COMMUNICATION	DATE OF FIRST OFFICIAL RELEASE OF INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC FROM THE RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY.
OUTBREAK END	DATE THAT OUTBREAK IS DECLARED OVER BY RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES.

