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## 1 INTRODUCTION

## 2 INSTALLATION

## 3 INPUT CONFIGURATION

### 3.1 BASIC SETTINGS - GENERAL

- (i) **Number of Porters:**
- (ii) **Job Distribution:**
- (iii) **Simulation Duration:**

### 3.2 BASIC SETTINGS - COMPLIANCE

- (i) **Correct Equipment Usage:**
- (ii) **Patient Readiness:**
- (iii) **Porter Wait Times:**
- (iv) **Chance of Job Cancellation:**

### 3.3 BASIC SETTINGS - DATA SOURCE

- (i) **Use Data From:**
- (ii) **Statistical Data Source:**
- (iii) **Schedule Data Source:**

### 3.4 ADVANCED SETTINGS - DISPATCHER

- (i) **Appointment Factor:** Jobs that are scheduled in advanced need to be given priority over jobs generated on-demand. Increasing the appointment factor will decrease the time scheduled jobs spend waiting for a porter.
- (ii) **Automatic Job Priority Values:** Jobs waiting for a porter need to increase their priority after waiting for a specified amount of time. The "Minutes" will determine how long a job waits until it increases in priority.
- (iii) **Weighted Job List:** Jobs of different priorities need to have different weights. This weight helps determine how quickly the job should be assigned to a porter.
- (iv) **Proximity Match Values:** The closeness of a porter to pending jobs will factor into how quickly a job is assigned to a porter.

## 4 OUTPUT DATA