CMR Health During Outage?

Will the CMR "health" parameter function during an outage? For example, today we were notified that CMR would be down on a couple occasions tomorrow for "Earthdata Login Contingency Failover" testing. Will curl -i -XGET https://cmr.earthdata.nasa.gov/search/health command return a status besides 200 during these times? Will it always return something regardless of what problems CMR is having? I want to develop a test to determine if CMR is operating before doing granule searches, so I can prevent the user from performing a search and having our application lockup because it isn't getting a return. If "health" isn't the right approach, what do you recommend?