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Arkansas National Guardsmen to transport COVID-19 patients *~ Guardsmen will transport positive COVID-19 patients to isolation facility near UAMS*

WHO: The Arkansas National Guard

WHAT: By order of the Governor, 14 medics were called to state active duty from the Arkansas Army National Guard to transport positive COVID-19 patients from locations around the state to an isolation facility near the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in Little Rock. This facility provides an isolation location for Arkansans unable to isolate at home due to family considerations.

WHEN: beginning July 14, 2020, for 30 days in

WHERE: Little Rock.

WHY: The Guard medics will work in 12-hour shifts around the clock to transport positive COVID-19 patients, as needed. For more information about the isolation facility, news media should contact the Arkansas Department of Health public information office.

The Arkansas National Guard assumes support roles to augment civil authorities, where needed and directed by the Governor, to help in a crisis.