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## MEDIA ALERT

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### **UAMS Covid-19 support mission extended 7 days thru Feb. 11** *~ Soldiers will assist with Covid-19 drive-thru testing at Little Rock's UAMS hospital*

**WHO:** At the request of the Arkansas Department of Health through the Arkansas Division of Emergency Management

**WHAT:** 12 Arkansas National Guard Soldiers from the 39<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade Combat Team will have their mission extended to support the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences hospital in Little Rock's Covid-19 drive-thru testing site.

**WHEN:** Guardsmen will have their duty extended seven days through Feb. 11.

**WHERE:** 4301 West Markham, Little Rock, Ark.

**WHY:** The 12 Guardsmen, initially called to duty Jan. 3, were expected to serve until Feb. 4. UAMS requested a seven-day extension through ADH and ADEM because of sustained Covid-19 testing and screening rates.

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