OFFICIAL UPDATE – Kansas National Guard

Members of the Kansas National Guard are busy planning the distribution of medical supplies recently received from the Strategic National Stockpile and other logistics for aiding in the campaign against COVID-19.

They aren't contemplating martial law, quarantine enforcement or other draconian measures outside "the realm of possibility," said Maj. Gen. Lee Tafanelli, the state's adjutant general.

"There's all kinds of social media saying the National Guard is taking over, they're on the streets, they're going to do this or that," Tafanelli said.

In reality, he said, the Guard is working to relieve pressure on local communities in the same way they would after a tornado, floor or other natural disaster. That could mean the transport of medical supplies from a clandestine location to hospitals all over the state, as well as the collection and delivery of test samples.

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