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72 new cases, 7,605 recoveries, and two more deaths related to COVID-19

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Tuesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 72 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and two more deaths. The total number of deaths is now 586 as of Tuesday. Reports indicate that 7,605 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 127,179 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 11,947.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 2,651
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 1,247
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 1,246
- Gallup Service Unit: 1,825
- Kayenta Service Unit: 1,411
- Shiprock Service Unit: 1,811
- Tuba City Service Unit: 1,150
- Winslow Service Unit: 597

* Nine residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.
On Tuesday, the state of New Mexico reported 1,141 new cases of COVID-19, the state of Arizona reported 1,679 new cases, and Utah reported 1,669. The Navajo Nation’s daily curfew remains in effect from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. (MST).

“We are in the midst of a growing surge of COVID-19 cases. This virus knows no boundaries and the infection rate is high in many areas on the Navajo Nation in the entire states of New Mexico, Utah, and Arizona. I cannot emphasize enough that the safest place to be is at home here on the Navajo Nation. We have to do better and we have to stay strong and keep pushing forward while keeping our guard up. Keep wearing masks, stay home as much as possible, avoid large crowds and family gatherings, wash your hands often, and practice social distancing,” said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

On Thursday, Nov. 5, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. (MST), the Nez-Lizer Administration will host an online town hall on the Nez-Lizer Facebook page to provide additional updates regarding COVID-19.

“We do not want our numbers related to COVID-19 to surpass the numbers we had back in April and May. Too many families are grieving and too many of our Navajo people are suffering from this virus. Please be safe and make good choices for yourselves and others every day. Continue to pray for our people and our Nation,” said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health’s COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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