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22 new cases, 7,253 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Monday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 22 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 555 as previously reported on Sunday. Reports indicate that 7,253 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 105,451 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 10,312.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:
Chinle Service Unit: 2,388
Crownpoint Service Unit: 884
Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 1,021
Gallup Service Unit: 1,638
Kayenta Service Unit: 1,338
Shiprock Service Unit: 1,577
Tuba City Service Unit: 977
Winslow Service Unit: 483

* Six residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Monday, the state of Utah reported 827 new cases of COVID-19, the state of Arizona reported 273 new cases, and New Mexico reported 143.

"Now is the time that our Navajo people need to support one another and help each other. We are experiencing unprecedented times with the COVID-19 pandemic, but we are going to overcome this virus by helping one another and listening to our health care experts. Based on the recent rise in cluster cases in some communities on the Navajo Nation and in nearby towns and cities off the Nation, there remains substantial risk for all of us. Stay home, wear a mask, practice social distancing, wash your hands, and avoid family gatherings," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

The Nez-Lizer Administration will host an online town hall on Tuesday, Sept. 29 at 10:00 a.m. (MDT) to provide COVID-19 updates. The U.S. Census will also provide updates on the 2020 Census count for the Navajo Nation.

“We extend our appreciation to all of the good work being done every day by the health care workers, contact tracers, and many others – all of which is making a positive difference for many of our Navajo people. As we move forward, we continue to pray to our Creator for the health and safety of our communities and those who are putting themselves at risk on the frontlines to fight for all of us,” 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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