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42 new cases, 29,969 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Friday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 42 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,377. The report indicates that 29,969 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 294,359 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 31,571.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,738
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,022
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,742
- Gallup Service Unit: 5,005
- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,815
• Shiprock Service Unit: 5,364
• Tuba City Service Unit: 3,844
• Winslow Service Unit: 2,022
* 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Friday, the state of Arizona reported 2,826 new cases, Utah reported 894 cases and New Mexico reported 569 new cases.

“We are seeing an increase in COVID-19 cases as the Delta variant continues to spread across the country and in our region. Everyone has a role in this fight against COVID-19. Our health care experts have given us the guidance to push back on COVID-19, but it’s ultimately our individual choices that determine how many new cases will develop. We continue to meet with our public health experts to examine the data that’s available. Continue to wear a mask in public and please be very cautious if you visit family members that reside in other households. We strongly urge every eligible person to get fully vaccinated as soon as possible. The vaccines and masks work,” said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines during drive-thru events or by appointment. If you would like to receive the vaccine, please contact your health care provider for more information for your Service Unit.

“Please be safe and continue to pray for our people. Our frontline workers continue to fight for us every single day, so please fight for them by taking precautions and keeping yourselves safe and healthy. Keep your guard up and please follow all safety protocols from our health experts,” 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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