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52 new cases, 38,303 recoveries, and three more deaths related to COVID-19

**Map reflects estimates on the total number of cases by population area since March 2020. NOT the number of cases in the past 7 or 14 days as presented in gating criteria.**

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Saturday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 52 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and three more deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,561. The report indicates that 38,303 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 401,954 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 40,467, including four delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 7,122
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,859
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 4,690
- Gallup Service Unit: 6,664
- Kayenta Service Unit: 3,464
- Shiprock Service Unit: 7,258
- Tuba City Service Unit: 5,001
- Winslow Service Unit: 2,387
22 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Saturday, the state of Arizona reported 3,774 new cases. The states of Utah and New Mexico will report weekend case numbers on Monday. Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez visited a vaccine drive at the Kayenta Health Center on Saturday, to offer his support for health care workers and to thank community members who received the COVID-19 vaccine.

“Our frontline warriors are fighting for us all each and every day. We can all do our part to help them by taking precautions to help reduce the spread of COVID-19, to lower the number of hospitalizations, and lessen the burden on our health care system. Our best defense against the variants is to get fully vaccinated and to get a booster shot if you were previously fully vaccinated. We have to remain strong, keep praying, and keep pushing back on the virus together,” said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

“The tremendous work and sacrifices of our health care workers and first responders does not go unnoted. We recognize and appreciate all of the sacrifices and the commitment of all who put themselves at risk to help our people and to save lives. Please continue to be strong and keep praying for our people,” 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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