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9 new cases and two deaths related to COVID-19 reported

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Sunday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported nine new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and two deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,583. A full report will be available on Monday.

On Sunday, the state of Arizona reported 344 new cases. The states of Utah and New Mexico will resume reporting of case numbers following the Christmas holiday.

“Health officials indicate that case reporting is delayed and the number of people going to health facilities to be tested for COVID-19 is lower during the holiday weekend. These factors contribute to the low number of new cases reported today. We have to remain diligent and keep pushing back on COVID-19 and the variants by getting more of our people fully vaccinated and more booster shots into the arms of our people. Please be safe and continue to take precautions,” 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.

“A big thank you to all of the first responders and health care workers who continue to work through the holiday weekend. Together, we can do our part to help lessen the burden on them by taking precautions and protecting ourselves from COVID-19. Please be careful, practice safety measures, 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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