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23 new cases, 15,234 recoveries, and one more death related to COVID-19

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 23 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and one more death. The total number of deaths is now 1,057 as of Sunday. Reports indicate that 15,234 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 235,948 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 28,897, including two delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,307
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,799
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,385
- Gallup Service Unit: 4,566
- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,582
- Shiprock Service Unit: 4,925
- Tuba City Service Unit: 3,469
- Winslow Service Unit: 1,846
18 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit. The Navajo Nation’s curfew remains in effect from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. (MST) seven days a week.

On Sunday, the state of Arizona reported 1,544 new cases, Utah reported 908, and New Mexico reported 349 new cases. Public health officials continue to urge the public not to hold in-person gatherings on Super Bowl Sunday due to the risks of COVID-19.

“The numbers of new cases in the states of Utah, New Mexico, and Arizona are gradually reducing each day, but there is still much concern with the spread of the new variant COVID-19 viruses. Now is not the time to let up our guard. Let’s keep taking all precautions and keep listening to our public health experts. Please celebrate the Super Bowl safely, take all COVID-19 precautions, and enjoy the game responsibly. Stay home as much as possible, wear a mask in public, avoid large gatherings, practice social distancing, and wash your hands often,” 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.

“We are overcoming the COVID-19 pandemic, but we have to stay the course and keep doing everything we can to keep ourselves and others safe and healthy. We are very thankful to all of the health care workers and first responders who are working hard to care for patients and administer the vaccines as quickly as possible to help save lives. Be safe and pray 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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