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Navajo Department of Health identifies 53 communities with uncontrolled spread of COVID-19 in latest Health Advisory Notice

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. — The Navajo Department of Health has identified the following 53 communities in the latest Health Advisory Notice, with uncontrolled spread of COVID-19 from Jan. 8, 2021 to Jan. 21, 2021:

Alamo*  Kayenta  Smith Lake
Baca/Prewitt  Lukachukai  St. Michaels
Bird Springs  Many Farms  Standing Rock
Black Mesa  Mariano Lake  Tachee/Blue Gap
Bread Springs  Nahatadiiil  Teec Nos Pos
Cameron  Nahodishgish  Teesto
Casamero Lake  Naschitti  Thoreau
Chichiltah  Nazlini  Tohajiilee*
Chinle  Newcomb*  Tohatchi
Churchrock  Pinedale  Tonalea
Coyote Canyon  Pinon  Tsaile/Wheatfields
Crownpoint  Red Rock*  Tsayatoh
Dennehotso  Red Valley  Tselani/Cottonwood*
Ganado  Rock Point  Tuba City
Indian Wells  Rock Springs  Twin Lakes
Iyanbito  Sheepsprings  Upper Fruitland
Jeddito  Shiprock  Whippoorwill
Kaibeto  Shonto

* Chapters recently added to the list

“The Navajo people have once again brought down the numbers of new COVID-19 cases and we are seeing a flattening of the curve, but we are very concerned that we could see another surge in new cases due to the ongoing disbursement of Hardship Assistance checks. We’ve heard reports of people traveling to border towns and crowding stores. This is what our administration cautioned our people of. The more people travel and move about, the more the virus spreads. Please use the Hardship Assistance funds for essential items and services that help your family during this pandemic and please continue to stay home as much as possible,” said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.
On Monday, a new Public Health Emergency Order took effect with the following provisions:

- Extends the Stay-At-Home order requiring all residents to remain at home 24-hours, seven days a week, with the exceptions of essential workers that must report to work, emergency situations, to obtain essential food, medication, and supplies, tend to livestock, outdoor exercising within the immediate vicinity of your home, wood gathering and hauling with a permit.
- Implements a daily curfew from 9:00 p.m. (MST) until 5:00 a.m. (MST) seven days a week.
- Essential businesses may operate between the hours of 7:00 a.m. (MST) and 8:00 p.m. (MST) daily, including gas stations, grocery stores, convenience stores, hardware stores, laundromats, restaurants, food establishments, banks and similar financial institutions, and hay vendors, provided they comply with provisions outline in the order to help protect employees and the public from COVID-19.
- Refrain from gathering with individuals from outside your immediate household and requiring all residents to wear a mask in public, avoid public gatherings, maintain social (physical) distancing, remain in your vehicle for curb-side and drive-through services.

“We strongly encourage all of our Navajo Nation residents to stay local and stay safe and that means shopping locally for essential items and services. Our administration has always promoted buy Navajo, buy local and during this pandemic it serves to help protect our people from COVID-19 in addition to supporting Navajo businesses. Please do everything you can to protect yourselves and one another, especially our elders and those with underlying health conditions. We are in this fight together and we will overcome,” said Vice President Myron Lizer.


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**Navajo Department of Health**  
**Health Advisory Notice (HAN)**  
**COVID-19 Community Advisory No. 13 — Safety Precautions**

**WINDOW ROCK, AZ** – The Navajo Health Command Operations Center is issuing uncontrolled spread of COVID-19 advisory for several communities. The cases reflect dates from January 8, 2021 – January 21, 2021. The advisory will be in effect until the risk and cases decline.

The following communities are identified as uncontrolled spread of COVID-19:

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All residents should take precautions to protect their health from the spread of COVID-19. Individuals with the following conditions are at higher risk of being affected from COVID-19.

**People at Increased Risk for Severe Illness**
- Older Adults
- Cancer
- Chronic kidney disease

**Might be at Increased Risk for Severe Illness**
- Asthma
- Cerebrovascular disease
- Cystic fibrosis
• Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
• Heart conditions
• Immunocompromised state
• Obesity and severe obesity
• Pregnancy
• Sickle cell disease
• Smoking
• Type 2 diabetes mellitus

• Hypertension or high blood pressure
• Immunocompromised state
• Neurologic conditions, such as dementia
• Liver disease
• Overweight
• Pulmonary fibrosis
• Thalassemia
• Type 1 diabetes mellitus

All residents should practice health and safety measures:

• Wear a mask in the public.
• Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
• Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
• Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily.
• Avoid touching your face, nose, and eyes with unwashed hands.
• Clean and disinfect your vehicle, home, workspace and other common areas on a regular basis.
• Social distance - keep 6 feet between yourself and others.
• Limit gatherings with individuals outside your immediate household.

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.