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5 new cases and two more deaths related to COVID-19 reported

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 five new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and two more deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,356 as of Saturday. Reporting of new COVID-19 cases will resume on Monday, due to the Fourth of July holiday on Sunday.

On Saturday, the state of Arizona reported 645 new cases. The states of Utah and New Mexico will report COVID-19 case numbers after the holiday weekend.

“My wife, Phefelia, and I wish all of our Navajo people a safe and enjoyable Fourth of July. Please celebrate safely and take precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and the Delta variant. We have to keep our guard up even as we celebrate the holiday with friends and family. Please be responsible and do not drink and drive. Thank you to all of the health care workers and first responders for working through the holiday to keep us safe,” 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 in this together and we will overcome. Enjoy the holiday safely and remember to encourage your loved ones to get vaccinated to help keep us safe and healthy. A big thank you to all of the frontline workers who continue to work this weekend. They continue to sacrifice for all of us. Please be safe and continue to 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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