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5 new cases, 29,489 recoveries, and one more death related to COVID-19

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Friday, 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 one more death. The total number of deaths is now 1,329 as of Friday. Reports indicate that 29,489 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 275,001 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 30,867, including one delayed reported case.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinchle Service Unit: 5,599
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,967
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,670
- Gallup Service Unit: 4,901
Kayenta Service Unit: 2,737  
Shiprock Service Unit: 5,238  
Tuba City Service Unit: 3,748  
Winslow Service Unit: 1,988  
* 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Friday, the state of Arizona reported 346 new cases, Utah reported 288, and New Mexico reported 161 cases.

“Remain cautious and please consider getting vaccinated for COVID-19 if you have not already. The vaccines are highly-effective in pushing back on the virus. The vaccines don’t guarantee that you won’t get COVID-19, but it is very effective in reducing the symptoms and hospitalizations. We have to get more of our people vaccinated to reach our goal of community immunity. Please keep taking precautions and wearing masks in public. We are in this together,” 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 have to be optimistic, keep praying, and keep taking actions to meet our prayers half way. We owe so much gratitude to our health care workers and first responders for working around the clock to save lives. Please be safe and continue to take precautions,” 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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