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13 new cases, 29,213 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Thursday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 13 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,282 as previously reported. Reports indicate that 29,213 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 267,196 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 30,565, including two delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,580
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,940
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,634
- Gallup Service Unit: 4,843
- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,714
- Shiprock Service Unit: 5,142
- Tuba City Service Unit: 3,718
- Winslow Service Unit: 1,975

* 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Thursday, the state of Arizona reported 601 new cases, Utah reported 395, and New Mexico reported 281 cases.

“Reports indicate that COVID-19 cases have increased in the state of Arizona in the last couple of weeks. This data should encourage all of our Navajo Nation citizens, including those living in Phoenix and other areas, to continue taking all precautions even if you are fully vaccinated. We have to remain diligent and increase our vaccination percentage to reach our goal of community immunity. Please continue to wear masks, practice social distancing, wash your hands often, avoid large in-person gatherings, and get vaccinated if you haven’t already done so,” 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.

“The vaccines are effective against COVID-19, so please consider receiving the vaccine if you haven’t already. We have to be supportive of one another and keep praying for our communities. Community immunity is our goal,” said Vice President Myron Lizer.


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