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30 combined new cases, 29,239 recoveries, and one more death related to COVID-19 reported for Sunday and Monday

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Monday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 19 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation on Sunday and 11 new cases on Monday. One more death was also reported for March 9. The total number of deaths is now 1,285. Reports indicate that 29,239 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 267,503 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 30,620. Daily numbers of new cases and deaths were not reported on Sunday due to the Mother’s Day holiday. Monday’s numbers reflect totals for Sunday and Monday combined.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,586
Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,940
Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,636
Gallup Service Unit: 4,856
Kayenta Service Unit: 2,720
Shiprock Service Unit: 5,160
Tuba City Service Unit: 3,726
Winslow Service Unit: 1,977

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

On Monday, the state of Arizona reported 642 new cases, Utah reported 207, and New Mexico reported 570 cases, which includes Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. The Navajo Department of Health identified the community of Tsayatoh, N.M. in the latest Health Advisory Notice with “uncontrolled spread” of COVID-19 from April 23, 2021 to May 6, 2021.

“Stay the course and keep pushing back on COVID-19 and the variants. Community immunity is our goal and we need to do more to reach that goal, which includes getting more of our people fully vaccinated. If you know of any loved ones, friends, or colleagues who have not received the vaccine yet, please encourage them to do so. The vaccines are effective in pushing back on the virus, but everyone has to continue taking precautions even after receiving the vaccine. Please continue to wear masks, get vaccinated, practice social distancing, wash your hands often, and avoid large in-person gatherings. We do not want to see a spike in new cases, so please be safe,” said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

The Nez-Lizer Administration will host an online town hall on Tuesday, May 11 at 10:00 a.m. (MDT) on the Nez-Lizer Facebook page and YouTube channel to provide more COVID-19 updates.

“We’re doing well with vaccinations, but we can do even better. So please do your best to inform your loved ones, especially your elders. Perhaps you know of someone who is hesitant to receive the vaccine. The more information a person has, the better choices they can make for themselves. 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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Navajo Department of Health
Health Advisory Notice (HAN)
COVID-19 Community Advisory No. 27 — 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 April 23, 2021 – May 6, 2021. The advisory will be in effect until the risk and cases decline.

The following community is identified as uncontrolled spread of COVID-19:

Tsayatoh

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
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- Heart conditions
- Immunocompromised state
- Obesity and severe obesity
- Pregnancy
- Sickle cell disease
- Smoking
- Type 2 diabetes mellitus

Might be at Increased Risk for Severe Illness
- Asthma
- Cerebrovascular disease
- Cystic fibrosis
- 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.

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