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103 new cases, 34,836 recoveries, and five 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 103 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and five recent deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,493, including one delayed reported death. The report indicates that 34,836 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 37,154, including eight delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 6,563
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,585
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 4,536
- Gallup Service Unit: 6,029
Kayenta Service Unit: 3,154
Shiprock Service Unit: 6,502
Tuba City Service Unit: 4,531
Winslow Service Unit: 2,234

* 20 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 3,552 new cases, Utah reported 2,267 new cases, and New Mexico reported 1,611.

"Booster shots of the COVID-19 vaccines are available at health care facilities for those who were previously fully vaccinated. We encourage all eligible individuals to get a booster shot before the upcoming holidays. The vaccines for 5-to-11-year-old children will also soon be available once doses are distributed and ready to administer. The individual choices we make each day ultimately determine the number of new infections. We don’t want to lose any more of our Navajo people to this virus. We have so many people who are enduring the loss of loved ones because of COVID-19. Please take precautions, wear a mask, and get fully vaccinated to help reduce the spread of COVID-19," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"Our frontline workers and health care providers are doing everything they can to help our people and to save lives. We have to do more to help them by taking safety measures and encouraging our loved ones to be safe, especially if they have to travel. We are this together. We have to continue to support one another and 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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