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99 new cases, 36,168 recoveries, and three more 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 99 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and three recent deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,518. The report indicates that 36,168 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 381,671 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 38,616, including 27 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 6,741
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,683
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 4,589
- Gallup Service Unit: 6,361
- Kayenta Service Unit: 3,299
- Shiprock Service Unit: 6,891
- Tuba City Service Unit: 4,741
- Winslow Service Unit: 2,289

* 22 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 4,184 new cases, Utah reported 1,789 new cases, and the state of New Mexico reported 1,790 cases.

“We need more of our Navajo people to get fully vaccinated for COVID-19 and to get their booster shot prior to the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday. In the past, the data has shown that we’ve experienced increases in new infections following major holidays where many families gather. What’s different this holiday season, is that we have the vaccines and we know how to take measures to protect ourselves and others. Please practice those safety measures that our health care experts have provided. We have to do better and we have to continue to push back on this modern-day monster that we call 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.

"We have to continue to support each other, to pray for our loved ones, and encourage our family and friends to be very cautious and take precautions every day. We are in this together and we will overcome COVID-19 one day at a time. Be safe and continue to pray for our people and our frontline workers," 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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