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61 new cases, 33,897 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Saturday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 61 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,471. The report indicates that 33,897 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 354,430 COVID-19 tests have been administered.

Due to technical issues with the Navajo Department of Health’s reporting system, new cases were not reported on Friday, Oct. 22. There were 69 new cases reported for Friday, including 14 delayed reported cases, and no deaths. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 36,083, including 279 delayed reported cases dating back to September.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 6,409
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,503
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 4,468
On Saturday, the state of Arizona reported 3,145 new cases. Utah and New Mexico will report new cases on Monday.

"If you decide to travel, please take precautions and wear a mask in public. We have to do more to keep ourselves safe and reduce the spread of COVID-19. Unfortunately, we are still in the midst of a worldwide pandemic, so please keep your guard up and get vaccinated if you haven’t already," 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 are in this together, so please continue to support one another and our health care workers. Take safety measures especially when you are in public. We are overcoming the pandemic one day at a time, but we have to remain diligent. Please be safe and keep praying for our people and 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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