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49 new cases, 32,441 recoveries, and five 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 49 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and five more recent deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,453. The report indicates that 32,441 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 342,993 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 34,309, including one delayed reported case.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 6,195
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,348
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 4,066
• Gallup Service Unit: 5,516
• Kayenta Service Unit: 2,990
• Shiprock Service Unit: 5,825
• Tuba City Service Unit: 4,211
• Winslow Service Unit: 2,139

* 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 2,529 new cases, Utah reported 1,805 new cases, and New Mexico reported 1,025 new cases.

“It’s been nearly 20 months since the first case of COVID-19 was confirmed on the Navajo Nation. Since then, our frontline warriors continue to fight for all of us each and every day. They have given us the guidance and resources to protect ourselves and others. It’s our responsibility to follow their guidance and continue to wear masks in public, to get fully vaccinated, and continue to take safety measures. We are in this together, so please remain strong and continue to pray for our people and all of those who are fighting COVID-19 at this moment,” 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.

“If you travel anywhere on or off the Navajo Nation, please continue to wear a mask in public. We are in this together, so please take precautions and think about the health of others during this pandemic. Please be safe and continue to pray for all 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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