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97 new cases, 34,253 recoveries, and no 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 97 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,484. The report indicates that 34,253 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 360,992 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 36,508, including two delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 6,491
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,535
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 4,494
- Gallup Service Unit: 5,904
- Kayenta Service Unit: 3,109
On Thursday, the state of Arizona reported 2,795 new cases, Utah reported 1,859 cases, and New Mexico reported 1,309 new cases.

"Unfortunately, in-person family and social gatherings are leading to more cases of COVID-19 on the Navajo Nation. In addition, residents who travel to cities off our Nation and let their guard down often bring back the virus to their households. We have to do better and we have to remind our loved ones to take precautions and wear a mask in public whether they are on or off the Navajo Nation. We want our people to be safe and we don’t want any more lives lost to COVID-19. Please be safe and take precautions, especially this Halloween weekend," 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.

"With Halloween approaching, we strongly urge all of our Navajo people to be very cautious and take safety measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Sadly, we have families who are grieving the loss of loved ones. We have to remain strong and diligent in this fight against the virus. Please be safe and keep praying for our frontline workers and all of 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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