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169 new cases and three deaths related to COVID-19 reported

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Wednesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 169 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and three deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,811. 550,536 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 57,171, including 101 delayed reported cases. The majority of delayed reported cases are due to delays in reporting from state agencies. A new case is defined as a positive test within the last 72-hours. Some cases are due to delayed reporting from the states. Any positive tests from beyond the last 72-hours are considered delayed.


“As we approach the Fourth of July holiday, we must continue to take on the responsibility, as individuals and for our families, to ensure that we take the proper precautions to protect ourselves and others from COVID-19. If everyone follows the COVID-19 protocols from our public health experts this holiday weekend, we should not see a large surge in new cases next week or the week after. When families gather in-person, they tend to let their guard down and that’s when we see cluster cases develop. Please be very cautious and continue to pray for our Nation and our frontline warriors,” said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities on 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.

“Through the strength of prayer and the love of our family members and friends, we continue to strive forward in this pandemic. We are strong like our ancestors and we will continue to emerge from these challenging times,” 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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