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Over four-day period, 13 new cases and four deaths related to COVID-19 reported, 45 communities identified with uncontrolled spread

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Tuesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 13 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and four deaths over a four-day period from September 3 - 6. The total number of deaths is now 1,891. 590,605 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 72,720, including 190 delayed reported cases.

Based on cases from August 19 – September 1, 2022, the Navajo Department of Health issued a Health Advisory Notice for the following 45 communities due to uncontrolled spread of COVID-19:

Bird Springs Cameron Chichiltah Chinle Churchrock Coyote Canyon Crownpoint Fort Defiance Ganado

Houck Indian Wells Iyanbito Kaibeto Kayenta Low Mountain Lukachukai Lupton Manuelito Many Farms Mexican Springs Nageezi Nahatadziil Nahodishgish Naschitti Nazlini Newcomb Pinon

Ramah Red Lake Red Valley Rock Springs Round Rock Sanostee Shiprock Shonto Smith Lake St. Michaels Standing Rock Tachee/Blue Gap Teecnospos Thoreau Tohatchi Tsaile/Wheatfields Tsayatoh Upper Fruitland

"We must be very cautious with the continued spread of COVID-19 and Monkeypox on the Navajo Nation. During the week of the Navajo Nation Fair, please continue to follow the three w's, wear a fitted mask, wash your hands, and watch your distance from others. If you are feeling ill like symptoms, please get tested, and if you are sick, please stay home and isolate. Let's keep each other safe this week," 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.

"If you or someone in your household feels sick or has symptoms related to COVID-19, you are strongly urged to isolate and get tested as soon as possible. We all have to do our part to lessen the spread of COVID-19 in our homes and communities. Please be safe and continue to pray for our Nation," 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: <u>http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19</u>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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Navajo Department of Health Health Advisory Notice (HAN) COVID-19 Community Advisory No. 94 —Safety Precautions

WINDOW ROCK, AZ – The Navajo Health Command Operations Center is issuing uncontrolled spread of COVID-19 advisory for the following communities. The cases reflect dates August 19 – September 1, 2022. The advisory will be in effect until the risk and cases decline.

The following communities are identified as having uncontrolled spread of COVID-19:

Houck	Many Farms	Ramah	St. Michaels
Indian Wells	Mexican Springs	Red Lake	Standing Rock
Iyanbito	Nageezi	Red Valley	Tachee/Blue Gap
Kaibeto	Nahatadziil	Rock Springs	Teecnospos
Kayenta	Nahodishgish	Round Rock	Thoreau
Low Mountain	Naschitti	Sanostee	Tohatchi
Lukachukai	Nazlini	Shiprock	Tsaile/Wheatfields
Lupton	Newcomb	Shonto	Tsayatoh
Manuelito	Pinon	Smith Lake	Upper Fruitland
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All residents should take precautions to protect their health from the spread of COVID-19. Individuals with the following conditions are at higher risk of being affected from COVID-19.

People at Increased Risk for Severe Illness	Might be at Increased Risk for Severe Illness	
Older Adults	Asthma	
• Cancer	Cerebrovascular disease	
Chronic kidney disease	Cystic fibrosis	
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	Hypertension or high blood pressure	
Heart conditions	Immunocompromised state	
Immunocompromised state	Neurologic conditions, such as dementia	
Obesity and severe obesity	Liver disease	
Pregnancy	• Overweight	
Sickle cell disease	Pulmonary fibrosis	
Smoking	• Thalassemia	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus	Type 1 diabetes mellitus	

All residents should practice health and safety measures:

- Get vaccinated.
- Wear a mask in the public.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.

- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily.
- Avoid touching your face, nose, and eyes with unwashed hands.
- Clean and disinfect your vehicle, home, workspace and other common areas on a regular basis.
- Social distance keep 6 feet between yourself and others.
- Limit gatherings with individuals outside your immediate household.

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