

We're so glad you brought <<Patient's name>> in for a routine wellness visit that includes screening tests. Running these tests every year helps us understand what's normal for your pet as well as screen for common conditions. Subtle changes in your pet's test results can signal the presence of disease even before any outward signs of illness can be seen.

Routine wellness visits help your pet live a healthier life

Screening tests help us catch potential health issues earlier and may help you avoid additional costs associated with treatments if disease goes undetected. Here's what we looked at during your pet's visit and why:

Blood

A complete blood count (CBC) tells us if your pet is fighting an infection or has some bleeding problems. A blood test can also find diseases spread by ticks and mosquitoes.

Thyroid

If the thyroid glands aren't releasing the right amount of hormones, your pet's metabolism could be affected.

Heart and lungs

Infection or disease can make it difficult for your pet's heart and lungs to deliver enough oxygen-rich blood to the body.

Pancreas and intestines

Problems with these digestive organs may be due to an inflamed pancreas, diabetes, or some types of cancers.

Liver

Your pet's liver may have trouble managing proteins, fat, digestion, and waste. These problems could be caused by disease, a blockage, or even medication.

Kidneys

SDMA* testing detects kidney disease earlier than other types of kidney tests.¹⁻³ Results also reflect other diseases your pet may have that affect the kidneys.

Urine

Urine tests tell us if your pet has problems like infection or stones in the kidneys or bladder. They can also tell us about some cancers.

*Symmetric dimethylarginine.
References are available at idexx.com/sdma.

3 ways to help your pet stay as healthy as possible

- 1. Support a healthy lifestyle with proper nutrition and exercise.
- 2. Schedule your pet's next routine wellness exam for <<date>>.
- 3. Learn more at pethealthnetwork.com/pettests.

We're here for you and your dog. Please reach out if you have any questions about your dog's nutrition, behavior, or health.

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