

# Routine wellness visits help pets live healthy lives.



Testing helps us catch potential health issues earlier and may help you avoid additional costs associated with treatments if disease goes undetected. A wellness visit, including a physical exam and testing of blood, fecal, and urine samples, helps us evaluate your pet's health based on the following:



### 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.



### Thyroid

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



### Liver

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



### Blood cells

A complete blood count (CBC) tells us if your pet is fighting an infection or has some bleeding problems.



### Pancreas and intestine

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



### Urine

Urine tests tell us if your pet has evidence of dehydration, kidney disease, or diabetes.



### Kidneys

The kidneys are essential organs supporting major body systems. SDMA can be an early indicator for diseases affecting the kidneys as well as disease processes affecting the kidneys.\*



### Feces

Fecal antigen testing tells us if your pet has parasites. Other fecal tests may miss some of these common intestinal parasites, which can cause problems in people too.

### Other

Physical changes in your pet's teeth, weight, joints, skin, and ears may be signs of illness.

Let us know if you have any questions about your pet's health.



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