

# COLUMBIA HOSPITAL FOR ANIMALS

## Healthy Inside out Initiative



### Why is preventative care screening important?

The picture of your pet's health isn't complete without comprehensive testing. These tests often detect illnesses that cannot be discovered with a physical exam alone.

### Every animal is unique, so it's important to know what a normal result is for your pet.

By establishing your pet's baseline values during health, we have something to compare his or her results to on a yearly basis.

### Your pet's blood values may change over time.

These changes are often subtle, so test results may appear to be "normal" when serial evaluation highlights trending problems before they are catastrophic.

### Trending these results helps us diagnose problems earlier and respond quickly.

Early detection leads to better outcomes, improved quality of life and lower treatment costs, should they arise. *"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."* Benjamin Franklin

At CHFA your pets are annually screened for heartworms and tick born diseases as well as twice annual intestinal parasite evaluation. This may not tell the whole story on your fur baby...

### What preventative test will be run?

Complete blood count

Extended Chemistry and electrolytes

Chemistry (organ function)

Thyroid test

- Yes, please perform the comprehensive preventative blood screening for my pet.
- Instead, please perform the value preventative blood screening for my pet.
- No, I decline health screening for my pet at this time.

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Pet's Name

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Your Name

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Signature

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Date