



THE KENNEL CLUB
Making a difference for dogs

The Kennel Club health strategy

Aim: To reduce health and inherited disease problems in pedigree dogs

Identification of disease and research

Action

Work with breed communities through Breed Health and Conservation Plans to identify diseases, where research gaps exist and prioritise actions.

Work with partners to ensure research is undertaken.

What does this achieve?

Further understanding of disease problems, enabling screening and/or advice to breeders and owners.



Health screening and tools for breeders

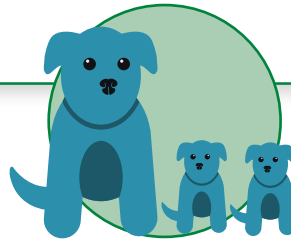
Action

Develop screening schemes/and or breeding tools from research and data available, whilst reviewing existing schemes to ensure they cater for more breeds when applicable.

Continue to promote existing schemes and tools to help breeders make balanced breeding decisions.

What does this achieve?

Increase number of dogs screened which reduces disease prevalence across all breeds and ensure breeders have the resources they need to breed happy, healthy puppies.



Knowledge sharing to generate impact

Action

Encourage and support scientific publication of research.

Make research and screening data widely accessible, translating the science for different audiences including breeders and owners of all levels and experience.

What does this achieve?

Making data and knowledge easily accessible will ensure a broad reach, informing individual decisions as well as supporting breed communities to develop plans to reduce health and inherited disease problems.

