

Canine Blood Bank

At IVS we have a Canine Blood program that provides blood to injured and ill dogs for veterinarians throughout Des Moines. The canine blood bank works similar to human blood banks as blood is collected from donor dogs and stored until it is needed. Dogs can donate every three months, up to four times a year. The blood bank is truly a wonderful program for pet lovers and dogs in need. To become a donor, consider the following:

Pre-Requisites:

- 50 pounds or more
- 2-8 years of age
- Gentle and calm disposition
- In good health
- Negative blood type

Benefits:

- Complimentary annual physical exam
- Free annual blood testing
- Discounts on IVS care
- Donor dogs will have their picture and history added to our Web site
- Donor dogs will receive a blood donor bandanna
- You are helping dogs just like yours when they need it most!



Today, many dogs are leading healthy lives because of blood donations from the Canine Blood Bank. If you have a potential donor, simply contact Iowa Veterinary Specialties to take your first step in helping dogs just like yours.