

The Health of a Shelter Dog

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Q. Are shelter dogs healthy?

A. Yes, in fact, most animal shelters want to make sure that the animals in their care are healthy and friendly before they are put up for adoption. The animals are usually examined, given their shots and sometimes even spayed or neutered before you bring them home.