



# New CHIC Requirements

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### Hip Dysplasia

- OFA Evaluation - or
- OVC Evaluation - or
- PennHIP Evaluation

### Elbow Dysplasia

- OFA Evaluation

### Eye Examination by a boarded ACVO Ophthalmologist

*(Minimum age 18 months, recommend annual testing to age 7)*

- Results registered with OFA

### Shoulders

- OFA Shoulder OCD Evaluation

### DNA Repository (Optional)

- Participation in the OFA/CHIC DNA Repository  
*(Blood Sample Required)*

### Anecdotal Data (Optional)

Data from signed veterinary diagnosis accepted on the following conditions:

- Epilepsy, Splenic Torsion, and Gastric Torsion

These proposed changes will not affect those GSMDs who already have CHIC numbers. Here is the statement directly from CHIC:

*“Once included in the CHIC program, the breed specific requirements are dynamic. As health priorities within a breed change, or as new screening tests become available, the breed specific requirements can be modified to reflect the current environment. If the breed specific requirements are modified, existing CHIC numbers are not revoked. Again, the CHIC number is issued to a dog that completed all required tests at a given point in time.”*

{ Please refer to Issue 3 of the 2014 SENNtinel for the most recent Health Committee report for the reasoning behind why these changes were proposed to and approved by the GSMDCA board of directors. }

Attention

