



**MENDOCINO COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

# **Shelter Update**

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**Ukiah, California: October 12, 2016**

Shelter Parvovirus Update:

Last Saturday a shelter dog (Seth) tested positive for parvovirus, he was immediately transferred to the Veterinarian but sadly did not survive. Since then we have been monitoring and testing all shelter dogs that had direct contact with the positive dog and any dog showing any signs of diarrhea or vomiting since. 7 dogs tested were tested yesterday, one dog tested positive and has been transferred to the veterinarian for treatment. Shelter staff is continuing to test all dogs that show any signs of diarrhea, vomiting, lethargy or other clinical signs.

Under the guidance of the Shelter veterinarian, the shelter has commenced strict infectious disease protocols and disinfection of all shelter areas. The dog areas of the shelter have been closed to the public and will remain quarantined until October 26. There will be no dog adoptions, fostering or dog walking until that time. The cat areas are still open to the public. The dogs that have contacted the disease are young adults that were vaccinated for parvovirus upon intake to the shelter. As an extra precaution all shelter dogs that were vaccinated more than 30 days ago are being re-vaccinated.

There have been several other cases of parvovirus throughout the County so please be sure your dogs are vaccinated. If you cannot afford to provide vaccinations for your dog County Animal Care Services will be providing a Low/No cost mobile vaccination clinic at the Veteran's Service Office in Ukiah at 405 Observatory Avenue on November 8, 2016, from 9am until noon.

If you have any questions please contact Mary Jane Montana with the Ukiah shelter at 463-4427 from 10 to 5 pm Tuesday through Saturday or via email at [montanam@co.mendocino.ca.us](mailto:montanam@co.mendocino.ca.us).