

## CHIC - Canine Health Information Center

The Canine Health Information Center, also known as CHIC, is a centralized canine health database jointly sponsored by the AKC/Canine Health Foundation (AKC/CHF) and the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA). The mission of CHIC is to provide a source of health information for owners, breeders, and scientists, that will assist in breeding healthy dogs.

**The ABGA became a Parent Club member in the Spring of 2010.**

### Breeds Requirements - Brussels Griffon

In order to participate the dog must have permanent identification and have two health tests performed. Four other health tests are recommended but not required. The applications are available on the CHIC web-site.

#### **Eye Clearance (Required)**

- CERF evaluation, annually as long as the dog is being bred

#### **Patellar Luxation (Required)**

- OFA evaluation, one time after the age of two

#### Hip Dysplasia (Optional)

- OFA evaluation

#### Thyroid Abnormalities (Optional)

- OFA evaluation

#### Progressive Retinal Atrophy (Optional)

- ERG - electroretinography

#### Syringomyelia (Optional)

- MRI

For more information and to look at currently participating Brussels Griffons go to:

[www.caninehealthinfo.org](http://www.caninehealthinfo.org)

- click on "CHIC Breeds"
- click on "Brussels Griffon"
- click on "Brussels Griffon (search)"

You are able to click on each individual dog and review their health tests.