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## **Dispositions of Animals - Limited Access Shelters/Rescue Groups**

### **Guideline Statement**

Limited access shelters/rescue groups may serve a purpose within a community to provide long-term adoption prospects for a limited number of animals while meeting all state and local codes.

### **Basis for Guideline**

In order to attempt to find homes for as many animals as possible and reduce euthanasia rates, all organizations that shelter animals must work together to provide the greatest opportunity for adoption without prejudice towards organizations that are forced to euthanize animals.

### **Guideline Recommendation**

NACA recognizes a community cooperative approach to reducing pet overpopulation with all shelters and rescue groups working together to place all healthy, adoptable animals with families in their community. NACA further states that all localities must have a full service shelter that accepts all stray, unwanted, homeless, or feral animals regardless of prospective adoption potential and provides them with humane care and treatment, including euthanasia, if necessary.

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The foregoing Guideline has been affirmed as duly adopted by the NACA Board of Directors.

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