

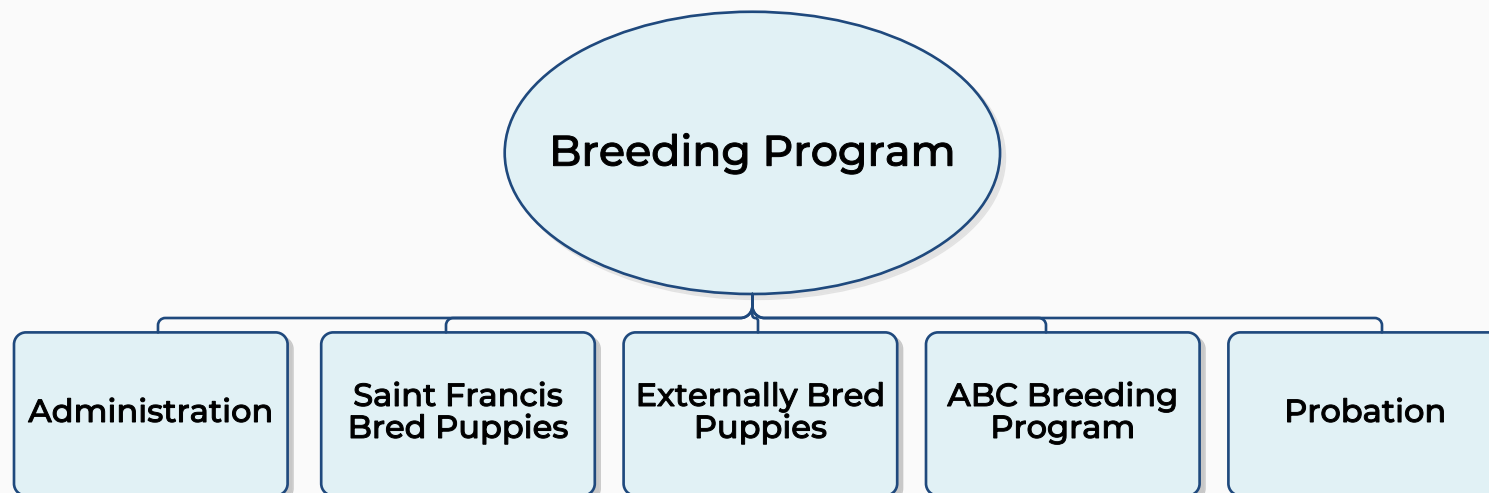


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Guidelines for Bred/Pregnant Bitch

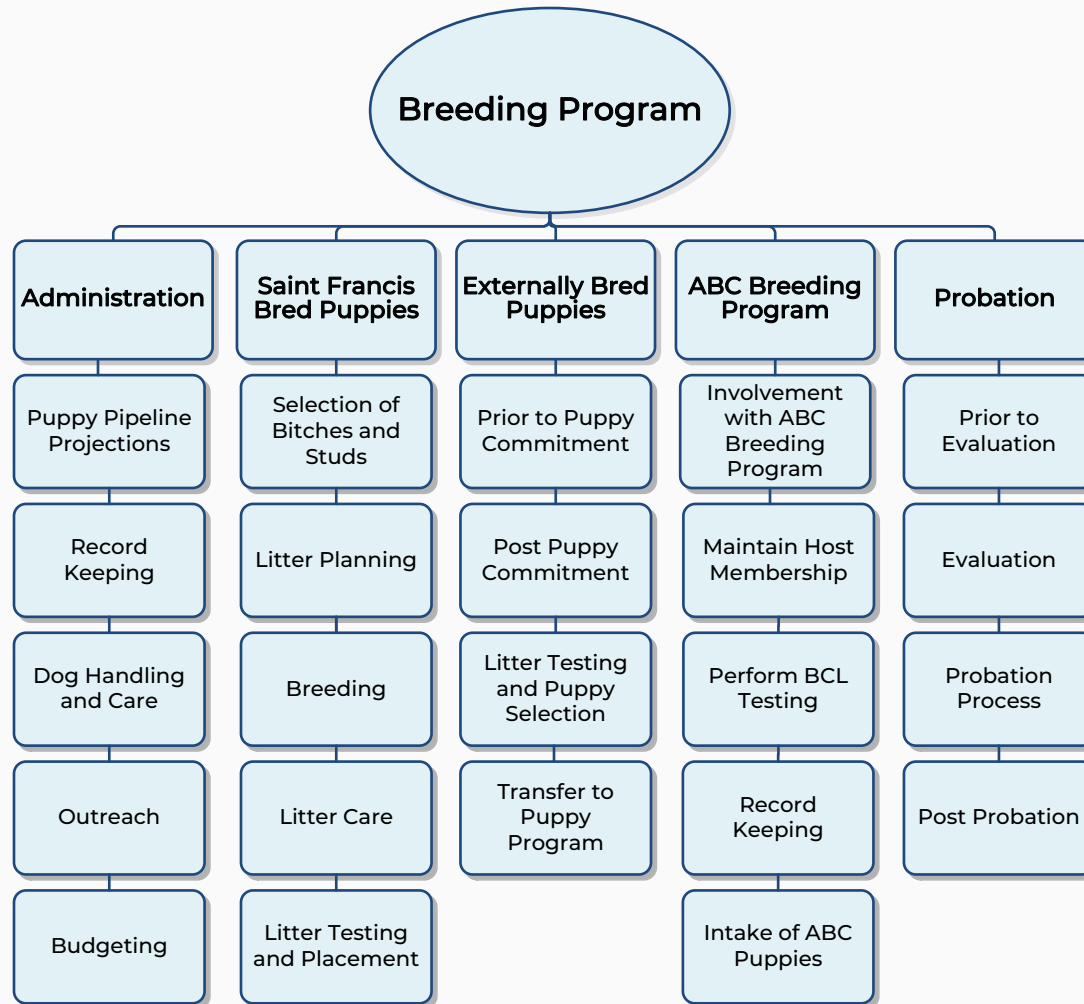
- Contact with Other Dogs
 - She should not be in contact with dogs exhibiting any vomiting, diarrhea, sneezing, or coughing
 - She should not be in contact with any unvaccinated dogs
 - She should not be taken to public areas in which other dogs' statuses are unknown
 - During the last three weeks of pregnancy, she should not be in contact with ANY other dogs
 - This isolation should continue for the first three weeks post whelping
 - This 6 week period is to protect against Canine Herpesvirus, a deadly disease for newborn puppies
- Nutrition
 - She should have been started on “All Life Stages” or “Puppy” food 1-2 months before her breeding heat cycle, continue this diet.
 - These dog foods will cover all requirements, do not introduce supplements
 - Please do not introduce calcium supplementation as it will create issues after whelping
 - Her intake should not increase in the first 2/3 of her pregnancy
 - In the last 1/3 of her pregnancy, she can begin to have about 30% more food.
 - This should be introduced gradually over time
 - To avoid discomfort as stomach space decreases due to growing fetuses, she should be fed small, frequent meals
 - Max weight gain during her pregnancy should be 36% of her pre-bred weight
- Exercise
 - Normal exercise should be maintained through the first 2/3 of pregnancy
 - In the last 1/3 of pregnancy as fetuses undergo the most rapid development, exercise should be restricted to brisk walks
- Monitoring
 - Monitor for any vulvar discharge. It is normal to occur in the last week of gestation but should not be fetid, bloody, dark green, or look like apple butter.
- Medications
 - She should NOT be given NexGuard (Afoxolaner) while pregnant or nursing, safe flea and tick prevention is Frontline (Fipronil)
 - Heartguard (Ivermectin) is safe for pregnancy and nursing

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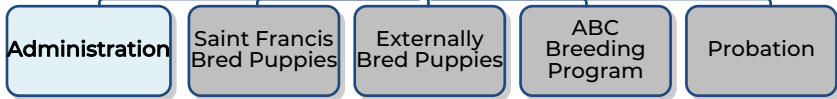


→ The SFSD Breeding Program:

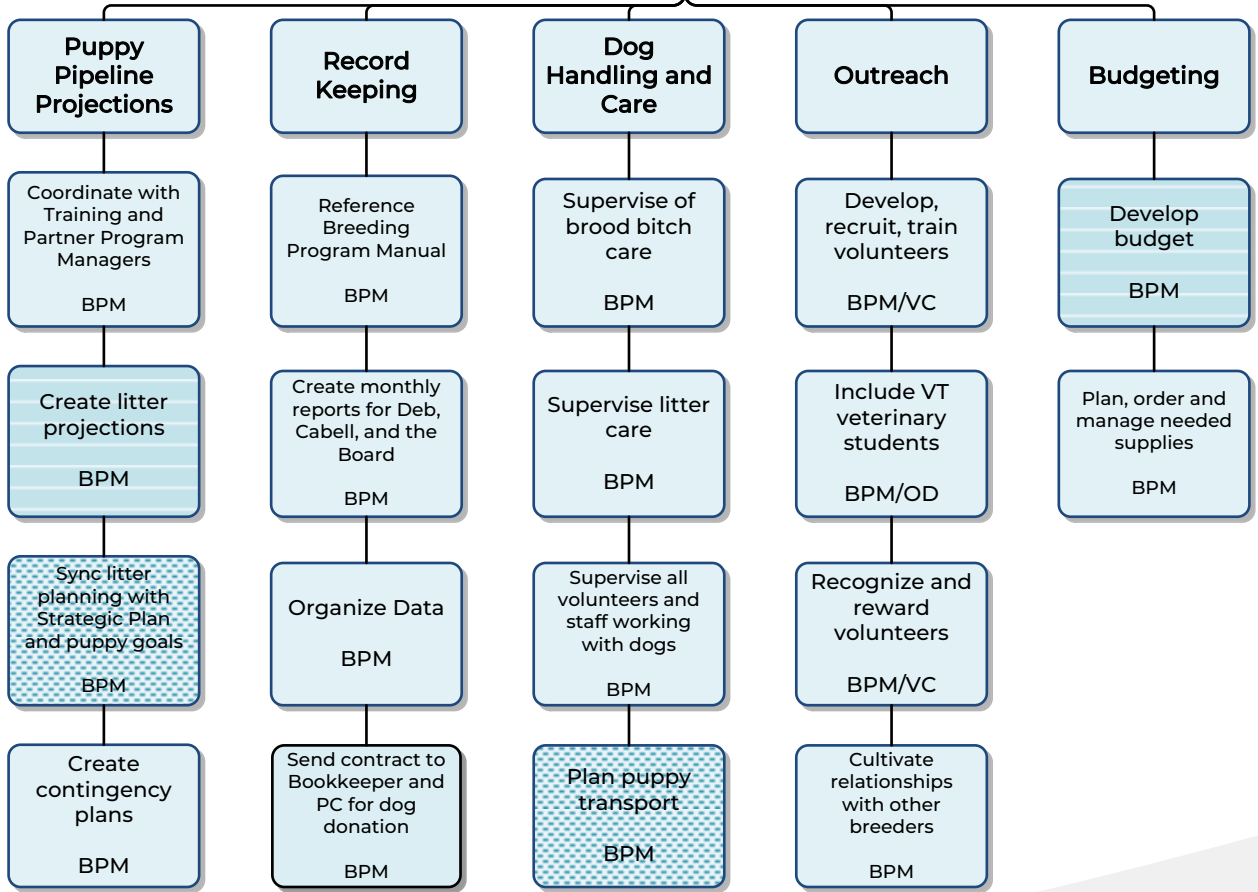
Represents the multiple facets of a service dog breeding program ranging from administrative roles to individual puppy testing.



Breeding Program



Administration



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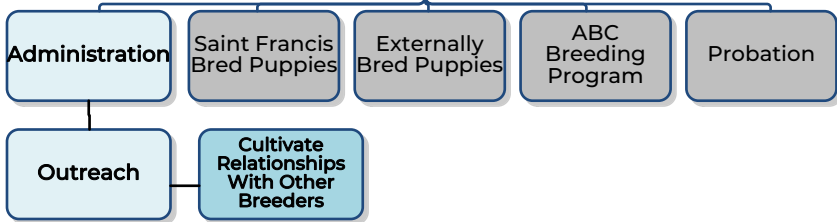
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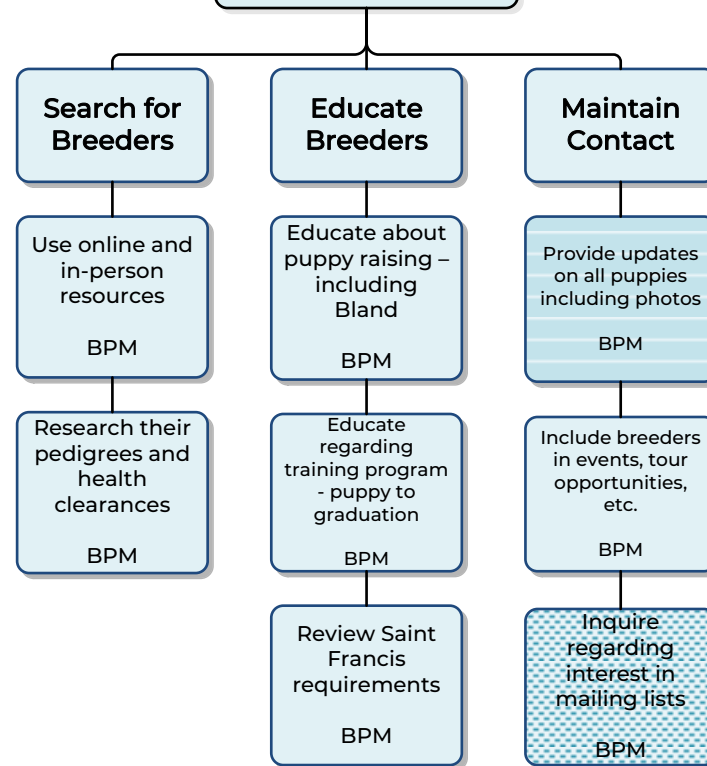
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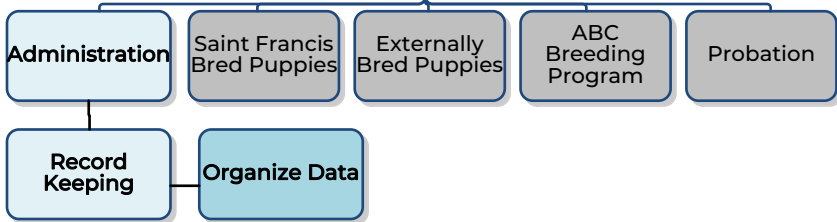
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Cultivate Relationships with Other Breeders



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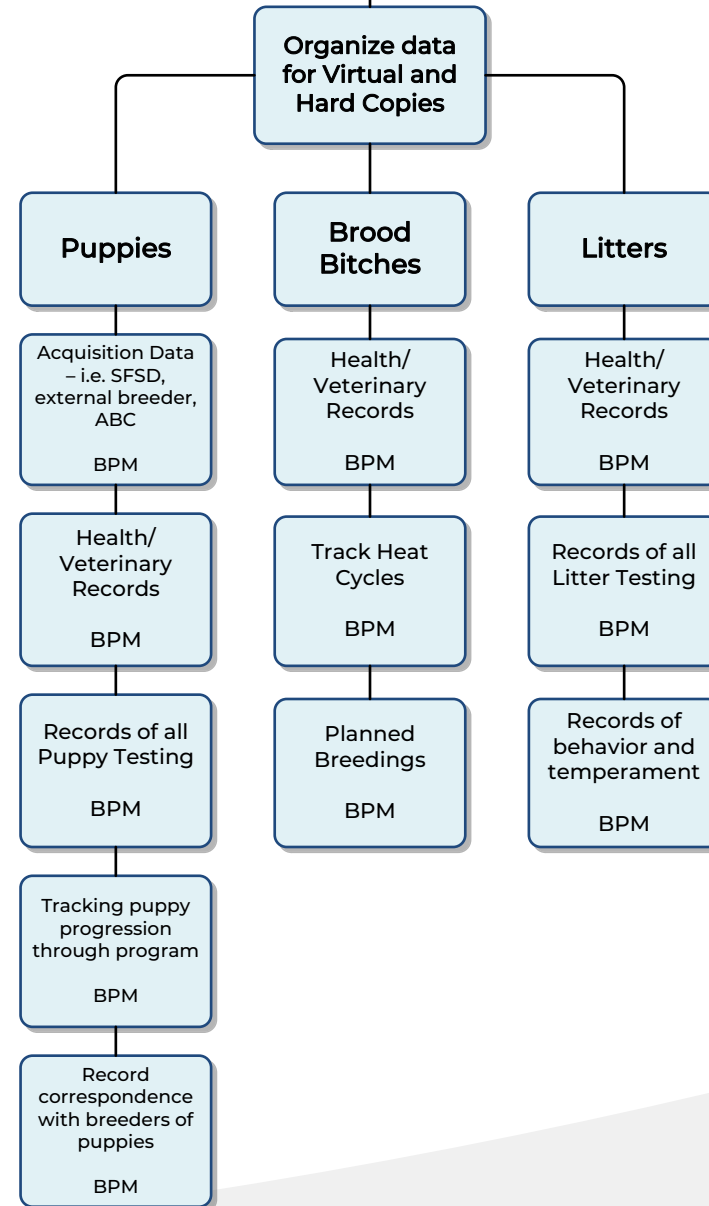
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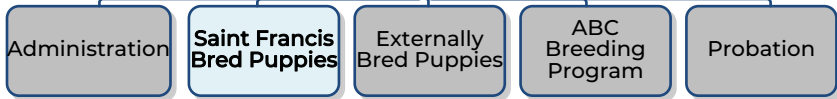
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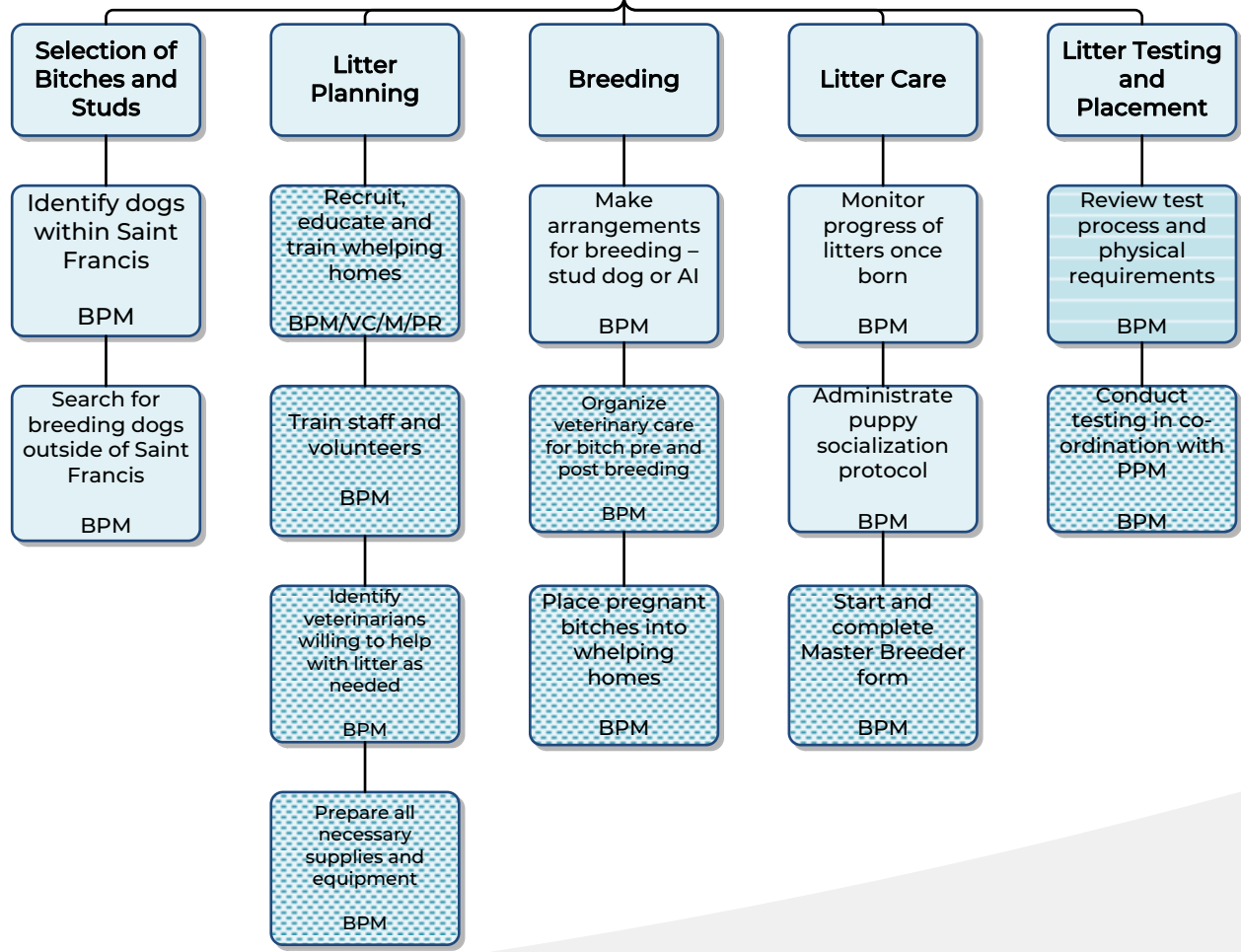
Organize Data



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Saint Francis Bred Puppies



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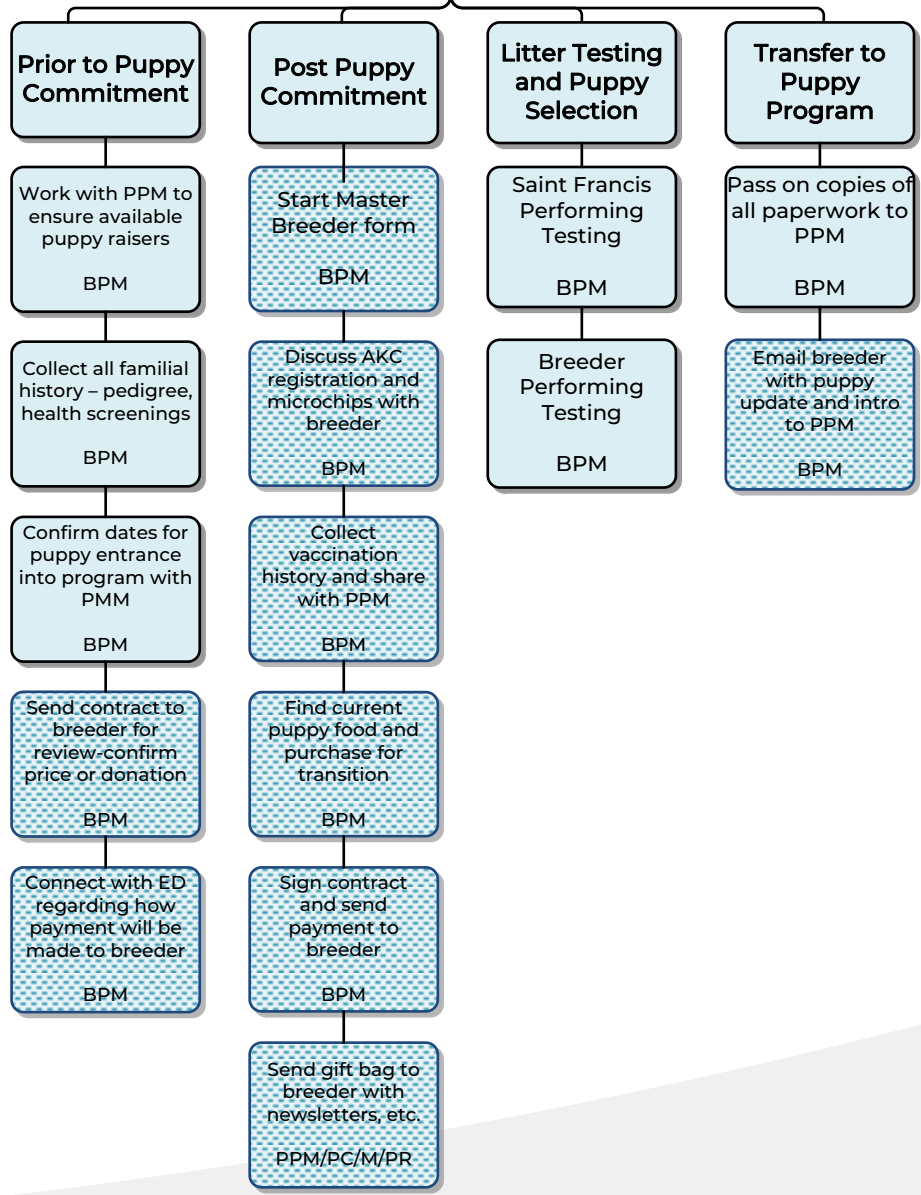
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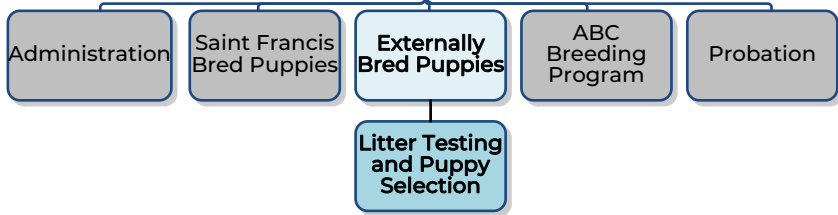
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Externally Bred Puppies






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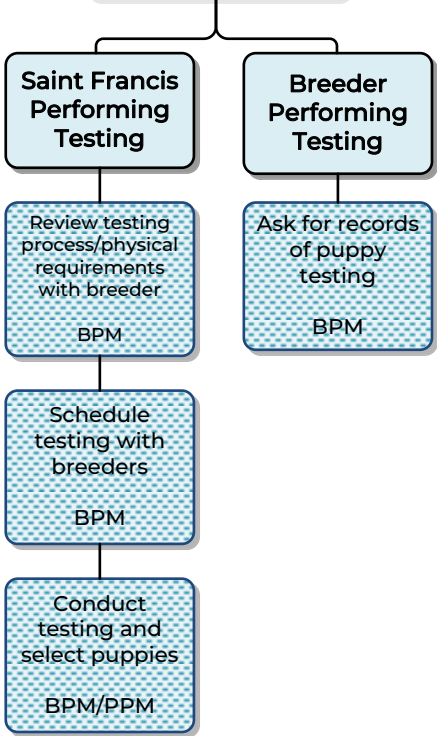
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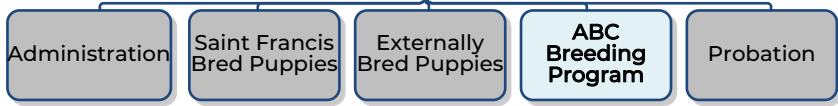
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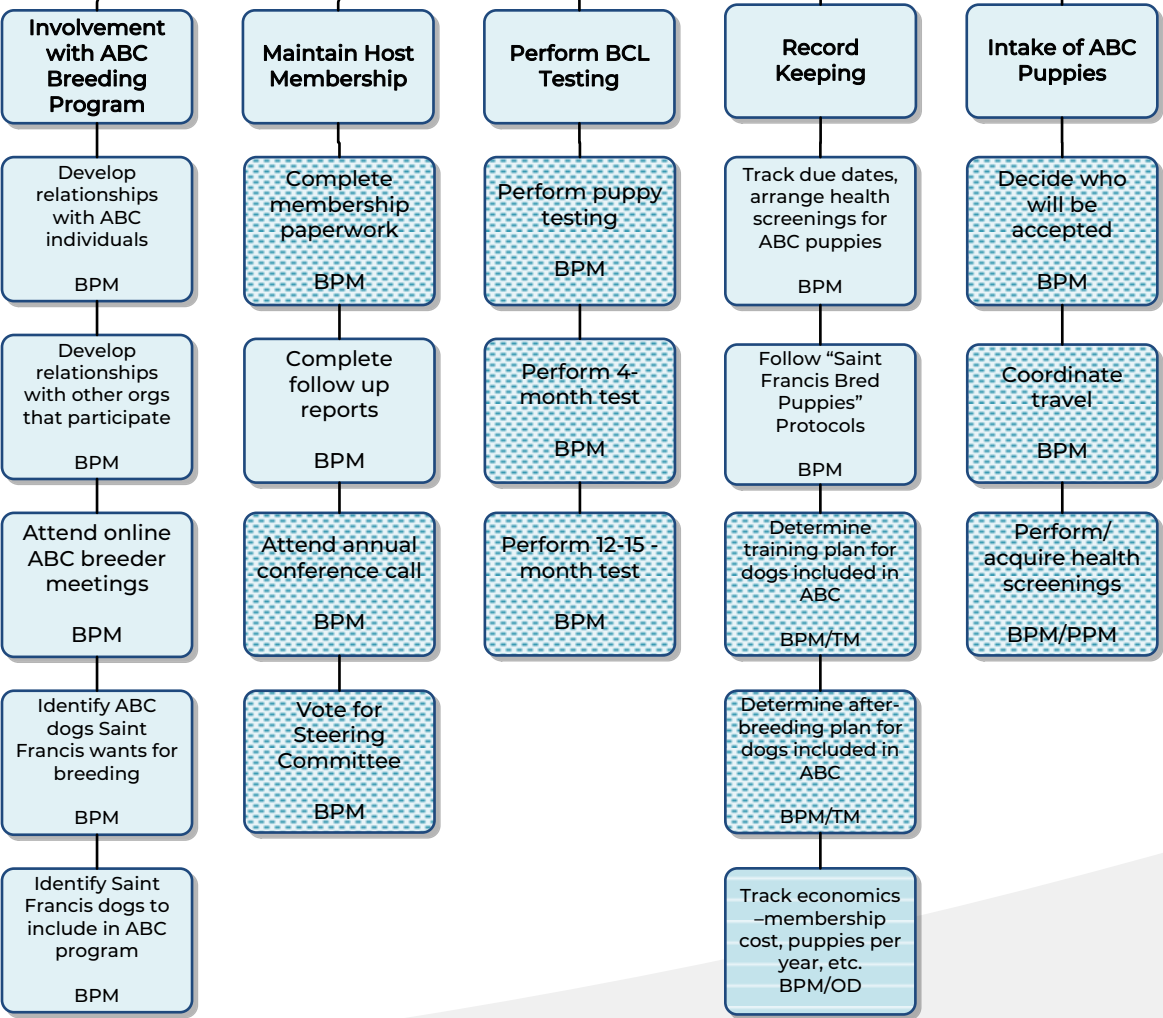
Litter Testing and Puppy Selection



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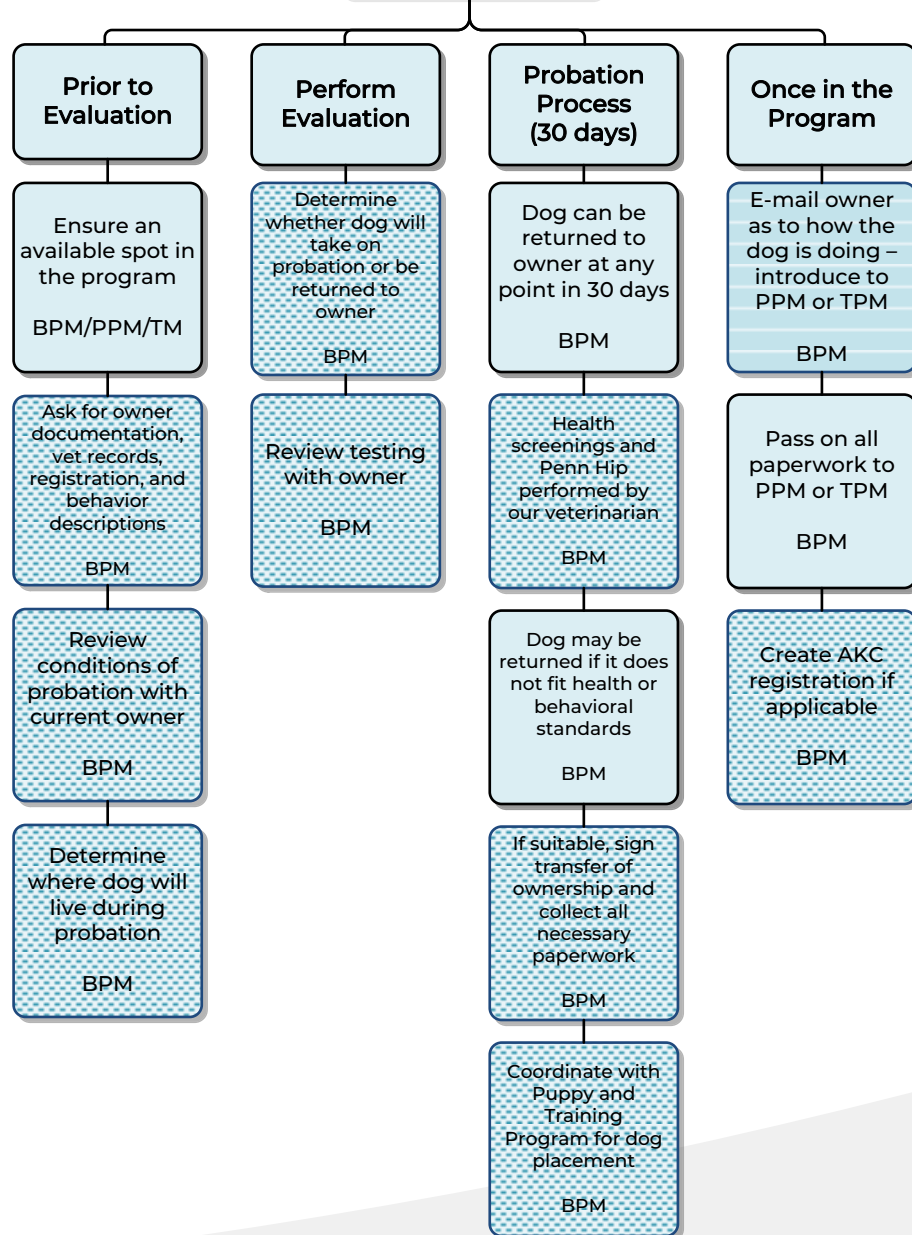
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Probation





Guidelines for Breeding Stock Health Testing

Labrador Retrievers:

- PennHip
 - Can be performed as early as 4 months old
 - Breed average hip score is 0.49
 - Any breeding stock should be below the breed average
- OFA Elbow Evaluation
 - Can be certified as early as 2 years old
 - Scored from 0-3 with 0 being normal elbow
 - Breeding stock should be scored 0
 - If breeding a score 1, there should be familial history of 0 and a preceding event to the higher score (ie past injury)
- OFA Cardiac Evaluation
 - Can be certified as early as 1 year old
 - Echocardiogram should be repeated annually for breeding stock
 - Disease of concern for Labradors is Tricuspid Dysplasia
- OFA Ophthalmologist Evaluation
 - No minimum age requirement for certification
 - Exam should be repeated annually for any breeding stock
- DNA Tests that should be performed on all breeding stock. The following tests are covered in UC Davis Labrador Retriever Health Panel 2
 - D Locus (Dilute)
 - Centronuclear Myopathy (CNM)
 - Progressive Retinal Atrophy, PRCD (PRA-prcd, PRCD)
 - Exercise-Induce Collapse (EIC)
 - Copper Toxicity

Golden Retrievers:

- PennHip
 - Can be performed as early as 4 months old
 - Breed average hip score is 0.55
 - Any breeding stock should be below the breed average
- OFA Elbow Evaluation
 - Can be certified as early as 2 years old
 - Scored from 0-3 with 0 being normal elbow
 - Breeding stock should be scored 0
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- OFA Cardiac Evaluation
 - Can be certified as early as 1 year old
 - Echocardiogram should be repeated annually for breeding stock
 - Disease of concern for Labradors is Aortic Stenosis
- OFA Ophthalmologist Evaluation
 - No minimum age requirement for certification
 - Exam should be repeated annually for any breeding stock
- DNA Tests that should be performed on all breeding stock. The following tests are covered in UC Davis Golden Retriever Health Panel
 - Neuronal Ceroid Lipofuscinosis 5 (NCL, NCL5)