

# CANADIAN DRUG ACCESS PATHWAY



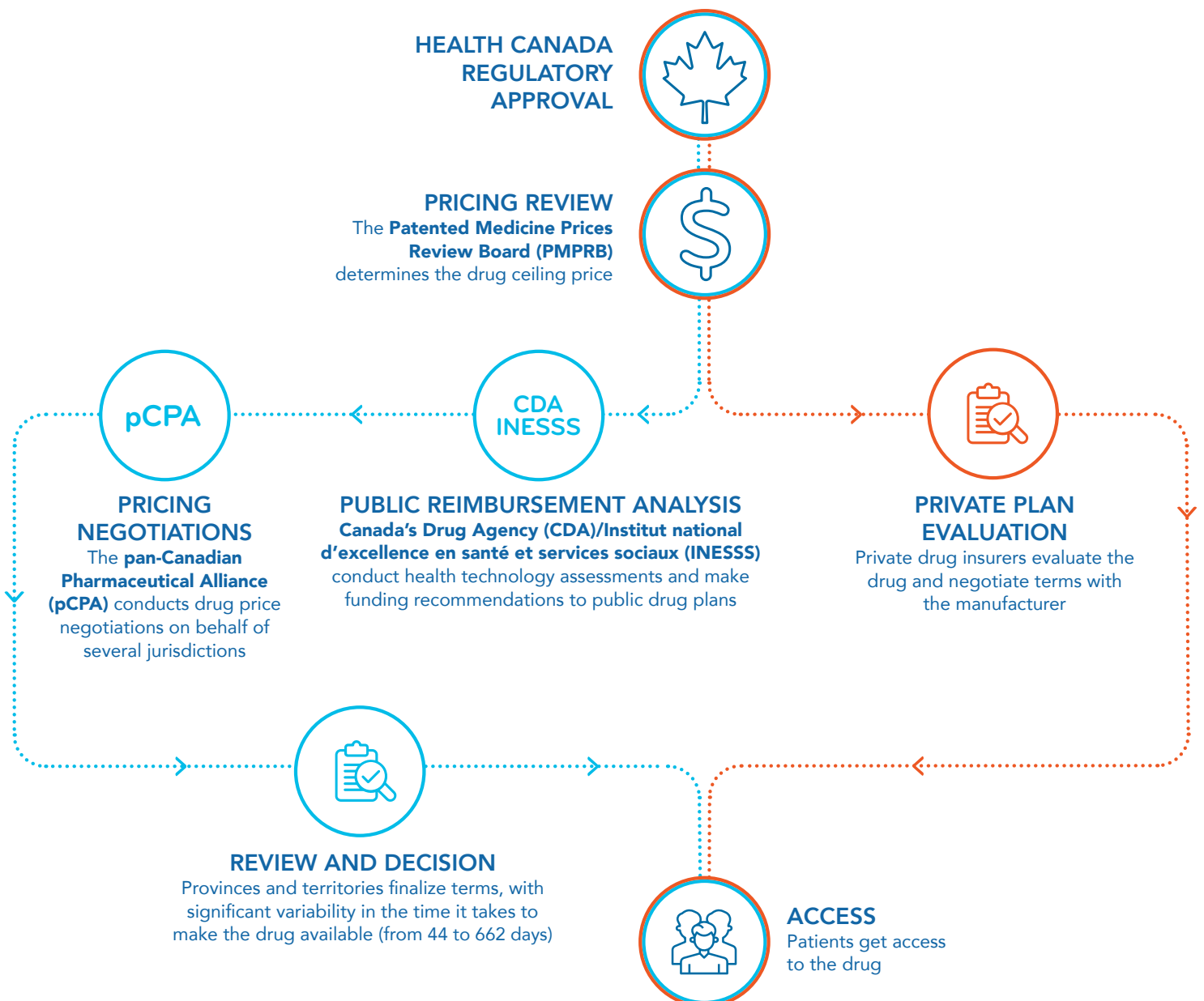
The process for Canadians to access new medicines is extremely complex and involves several different federal, provincial, and territorial agencies. It takes two years following approval (736 days) for Canadian patients to get access to a drug in the public plan, whereas those in the private plan get access to a drug in less than one year (226 days).

**PUBLIC PLAN**

**736 DAYS**  
from approval to patient access

**PRIVATE PLAN**

**226 DAYS**  
from approval to patient access



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