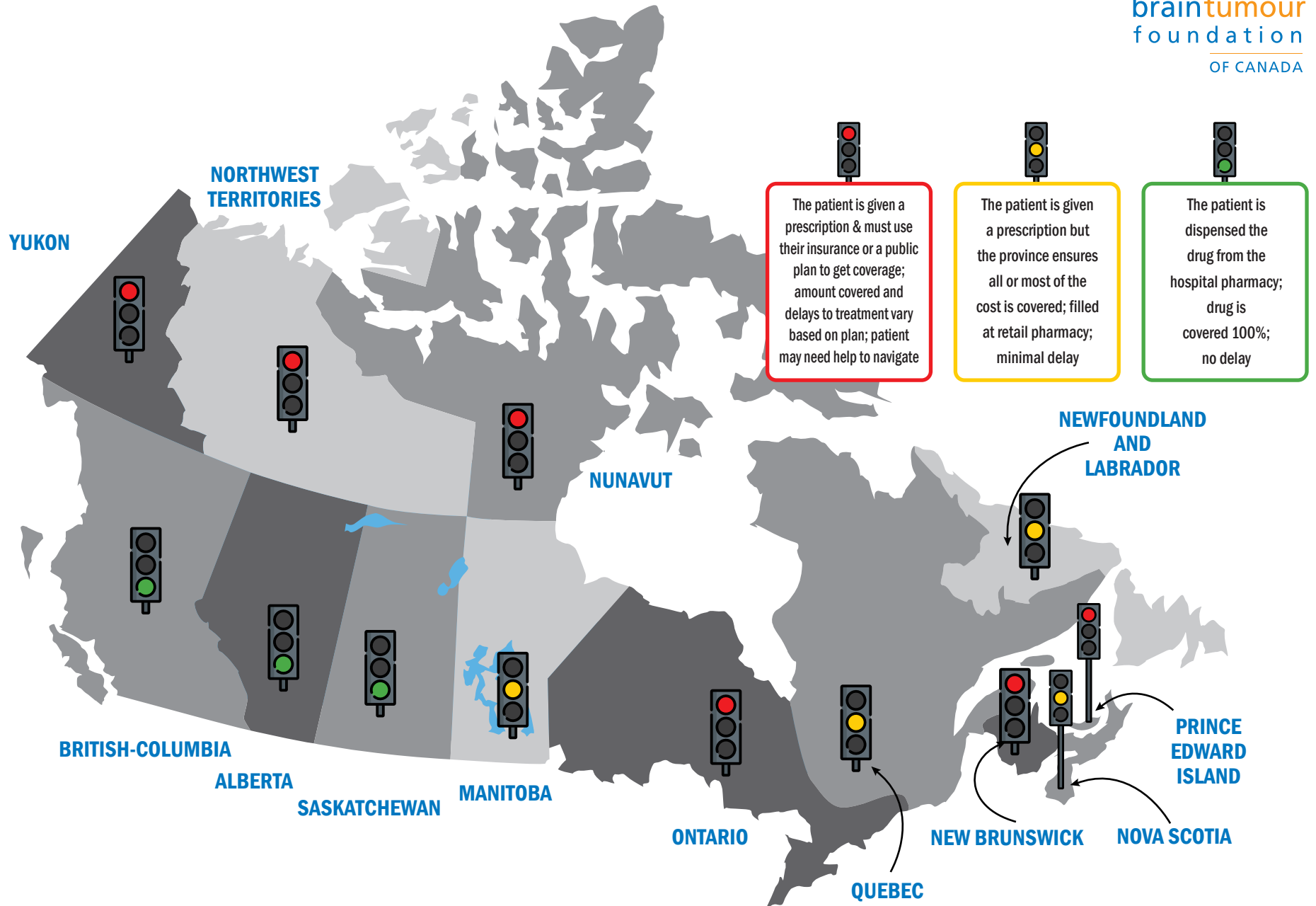




Temozolomide (TMZ) for Brain Tumour Treatment

REGIONAL VARIATIONS IN HOW TMZ IS ACCESSED IN CANADA



BRITISH-COLUMBIA



Payment Responsibility	Province (BC Cancer)
Need for Navigation	None
Source of Cost Assistance	N/A
Cost to Patient	\$0
Potential Delays	None

QUEBEC



Payment Responsibility	Patient
Need for Navigation	Minimal
Source of Cost Assistance	Insurance or Public Plan
Cost to Patient	Up to \$1700
Potential Delays	Paperwork Approval (5 days)

YUKON



Payment Responsibility	Patient
Need for Navigation	Moderate
Source of Cost Assistance	Insurance or Public Plan
Cost to Patient	\$0
Potential Delays	Paperwork Approval (7-10 days)

ALBERTA



Payment Responsibility	Province (AB Cancer)
Need for Navigation	None
Source of Cost Assistance	NA
Cost to Patient	\$0
Potential Delays	None

NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR



Payment Responsibility	Patient
Need for Navigation	Minimal
Source of Cost Assistance	Insurance or Hospital
Cost to Patient	\$0
Potential Delays	Paperwork Approval (3-5 days)

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES



Payment Responsibility	Patient
Need for Navigation	Moderate
Source of Cost Assistance	Insurance or Public Plan
Cost to Patient	\$0
Potential Delays	Paperwork Approval (7-10 days)

SASKATCHEWAN



Payment Responsibility	Province (SK Cancer)
Need for Navigation	None
Source of Cost Assistance	NA
Cost to Patient	\$0
Potential Delays	None

NEW BRUNSWICK



Payment Responsibility	Patient
Need for Navigation	Moderate
Source of Cost Assistance	Insurance or Public Plan
Cost to Patient	Up to \$2360
Potential Delays	Public Plan Enrollment (7-10 days)

NUNAVUT



Payment Responsibility	Patient
Need for Navigation	Moderate
Source of Cost Assistance	Insurance or Public Plan
Cost to Patient	\$0
Potential Delays	Paperwork Approval (7-10 days)

MANITOBA



Payment Responsibility	Province (MB Pharmacare)
Need for Navigation	Moderate
Source of Cost Assistance	Public Plan
Cost to Patient	\$0
Potential Delays	Public Plan Enrollment (5-10 days)

NOVA SCOTIA



Payment Responsibility	Patient
Need for Navigation	High
Source of Cost Assistance	Public Plan
Cost to Patient	\$0
Potential Delays	Public Plan Enrollment (5-10 days)

ONTARIO



Payment Responsibility	Patient
Need for Navigation	High
Source of Cost Assistance	Insurance or Public Plan
Cost to Patient	Up to 4% of income
Potential Delays	Paperwork Approval and/or Public Plan Enrollment (14-28 days)

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND



Payment Responsibility	Patient
Need for Navigation	High
Source of Cost Assistance	Insurance or Public Plan
Cost to Patient	Up to 12% of income
Potential Delays	Paperwork Approval and/or Public Plan Enrollment (7-10 days)

HIGHLIGHTS

ONTARIO

In Ontario, oncology drug access navigators take a number of steps to mitigate delays in treatment access including stockpiling sample supply, enrolling patients in the provincial home care program, accessing the pharmaceutical free supply, and seeing patients early.

NOVA SCOTIA & MANITOBA

In Nova Scotia and Manitoba, patients can access 100% funding via the provincial public plan but must be enrolled with the help of a health professional; it takes time to complete the enrollment and the patient must divulge income and SIN during the process.

NEWFOUNDLAND-LABRADOR

In Newfoundland-Labrador, the provincial formulary is so outdated that the hospital doesn't bother to access the public plan for patients who lack insurance – the hospital just has pharmacies send them the bill.

NORTH WEST TERRITORIES

In the Territories, patients who don't have adequate insurance or public plan coverage can access additional public coverage but must do so through their health care provider.