

Navigating the Divide: Contrasting Rare with Pan-Canadian Health Priorities

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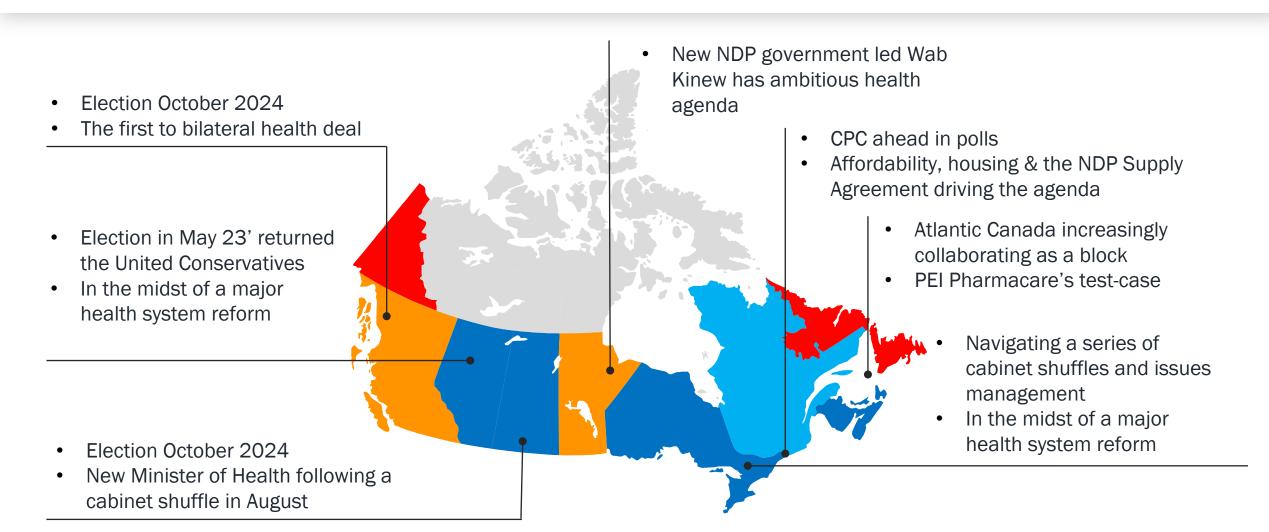


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The Pan-Canadian Landscape

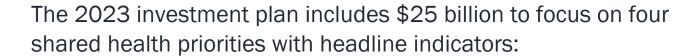




2023 Federal Health Funding Offer



Additional \$19.3 billion through the CHT in return for collaboration on health data initiatives

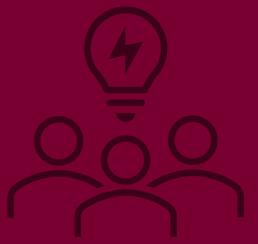


- Family health services
- Health workers and backlogs
- Mental health and substance use
- Modern health system

These agreements in principle secure the continuation of the 2017 Health Accords (\$4.8 billion):

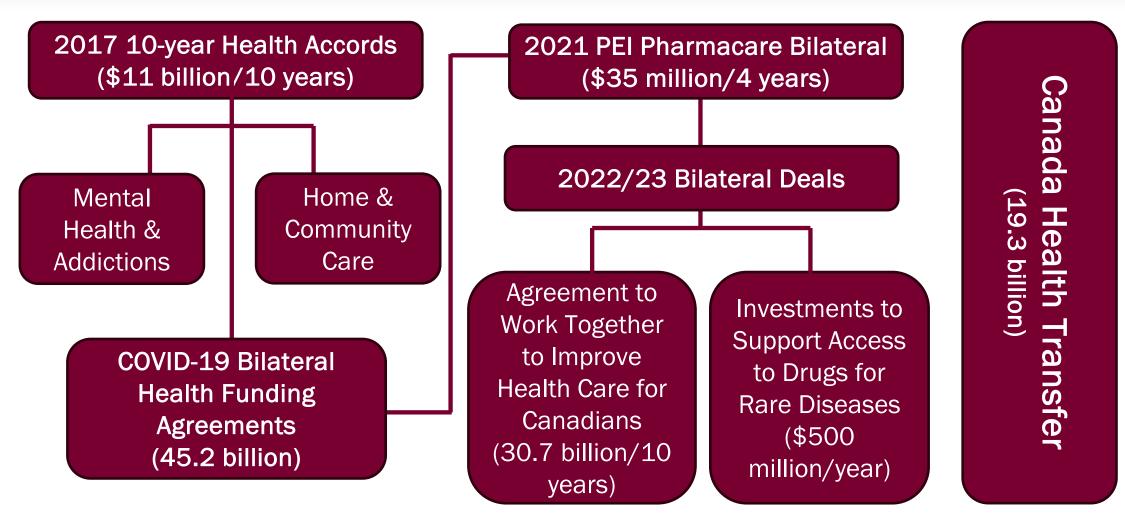
- Home & Community Care
- Mental Health & Addictions

Additional \$5.7 billion for PSW Wage Support & LTC.



FPT Health Agreements





Setting the Stage: The B.C. Bilateral Agreement



Points of Interest



Implementation of transformative staffing model to better support nurses and patients



Renewal of 2017 mental health and addictions accord (final four years)



Create incentive programs to support recruitment and retention of healthcare workers



Modernizing health data systems

What is missing?

836 Million+: PSW Wage Support, 2017 Home & Community Care Renewal; Long-Term Care.

Indicators to drive investment



Primary & Urgent Care

- Percentage of Canadians who report having access to a regular family health team, a family doctor or nurse practitioner, including in rural and remote areas
- Size of COVID-19 surgery backlog
- Net new family physicians, nurses, and nurse practitioners

Data

- Percentage of Canadians who can access their own comprehensive health record electronically
- Percentage of family health service providers and other health professionals (e.g., pharmacists, specialists, etc.) who can share patient health information electronically

Mental Health

- Median wait times for community mental health and substance use services
- Percentage of youth aged 12 to 25 with access to integrated youth services for mental health and substance use
- Percentage of Canadians with a mental disorder who have an unmet mental health care need

Data and Digital Health



Joint FPT Action
Plan on Health
Data and Digital
Health Highlights



- The collection and sharing of high-quality and comparable depersonalized information
- Adopting common interoperability standards
- Promoting alignment between provincial and territorial health data policies and legislative frameworks
- Advancing common principles for the management of health data
- Collecting and sharing public health data

Federal: Key Takeaways

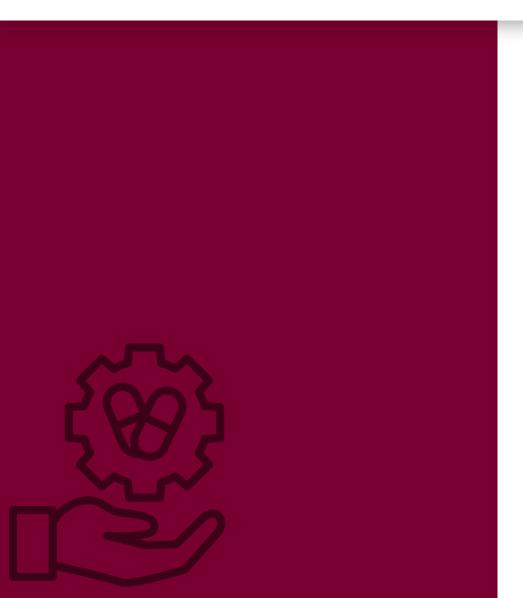




- Bilateral agreement template & process is now well established
- Current macro focus: health care systems HHR/capacity crisis
- Bilateral deal crowding slowing progress on rare
- Progress on data will be challenging without Quebec's participation
- Agreements may result in reforms that benefit rare disease priorities: improved data standards could further patient identification & unmet disease burden

Provincial: Key Takeaways





- Previous action plans: plans may not articulate net new activities with federal funding
- PTs in the driver's seat: federal government being extremely deferential to PT's
- PT Rare strategy progress has slowed, as they were expecting Federal funding specific to rare diseases
- Opportunity: Provincial data systems & reimbursement strategies all have potential impacts on rare diseases

2024 Government driven health priorities



- 1. Dental Care: expanding eligibility *NDP Supply Agreement
- 2. Pharmacare: legislation + bilateral agreements *NDP Supply Agreement
- 3. Canada Drug Agency: national formulary & bulk purchasing *NDP Supply Agreement
- 4. PMPRB: 2023 pre-consultation & 2024 guideline development
- **5. pCPA:** transitioning to a stand-alone organization & need for new strategic plan beyond 2024
- 6. LTC: Tabling a Safe Long Term Care Act *NDP Supply Agreement