

# Nurse Practitioner FAQ's

## What is the Special Access Program?

Health Canada's [Special Access Program](#) (SAP) allows practitioners to request access to drugs that are unavailable for sale in Canada. This access is limited to clients with serious or life-threatening conditions on a compassionate or emergency basis, when conventional therapies have failed, are unsuitable, or are unavailable. NPs may present a request to the SAP to have access to medications that they are authorized to prescribe. More information about the SAP, and requirements that practitioners must meet, is available on [Health Canada's website](#).