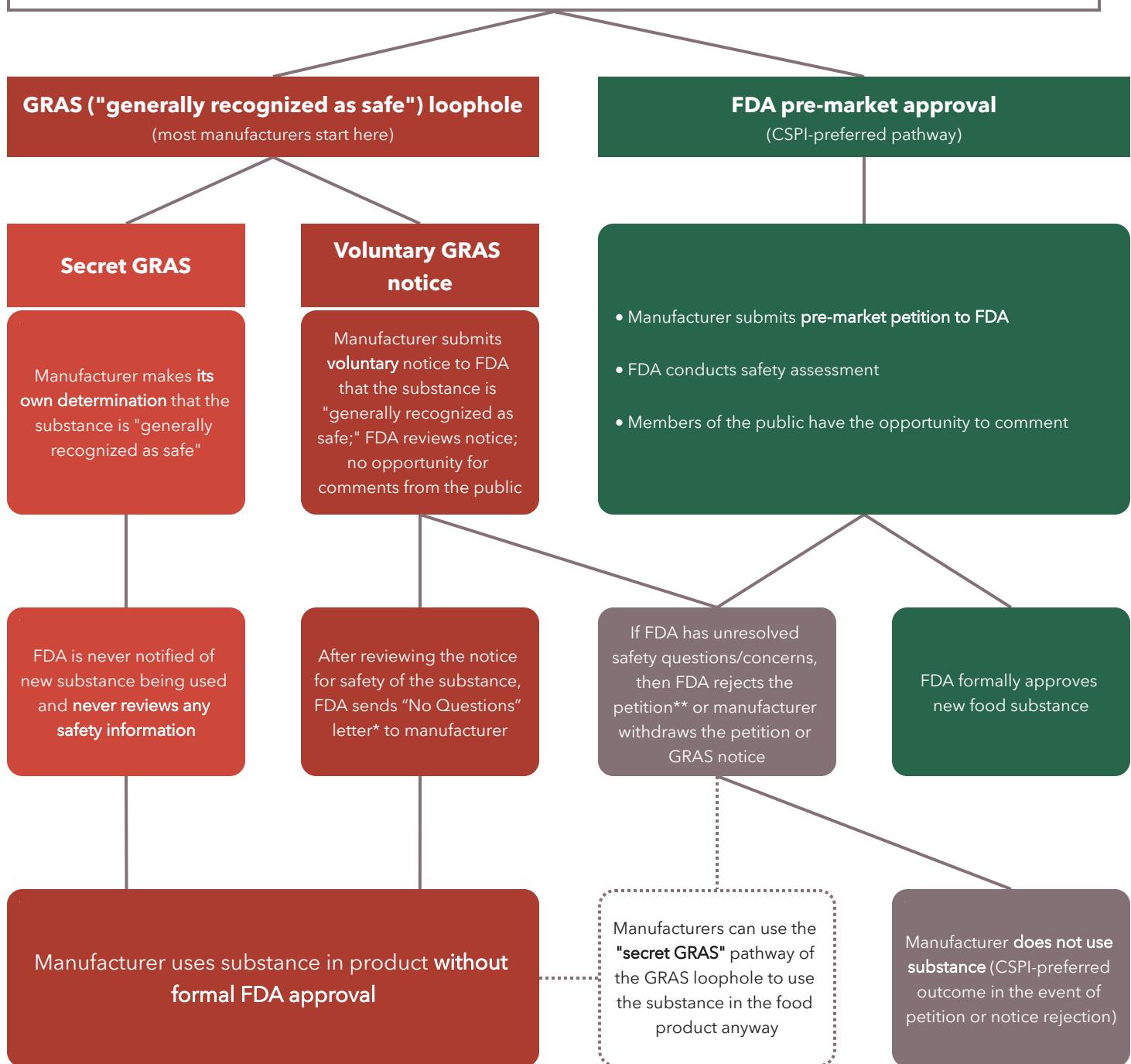


How do new substances enter the US food supply?

A manufacturer that wants to **add a new substance** to food has several possible paths to market.

Here are the processes to establish the substance as "safe" and legal to be used in foods.



Food manufacturers should not decide in secret that the substances they put in our foods are safe.
CSPI calls on the FDA and Congress to close the GRAS loophole.

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