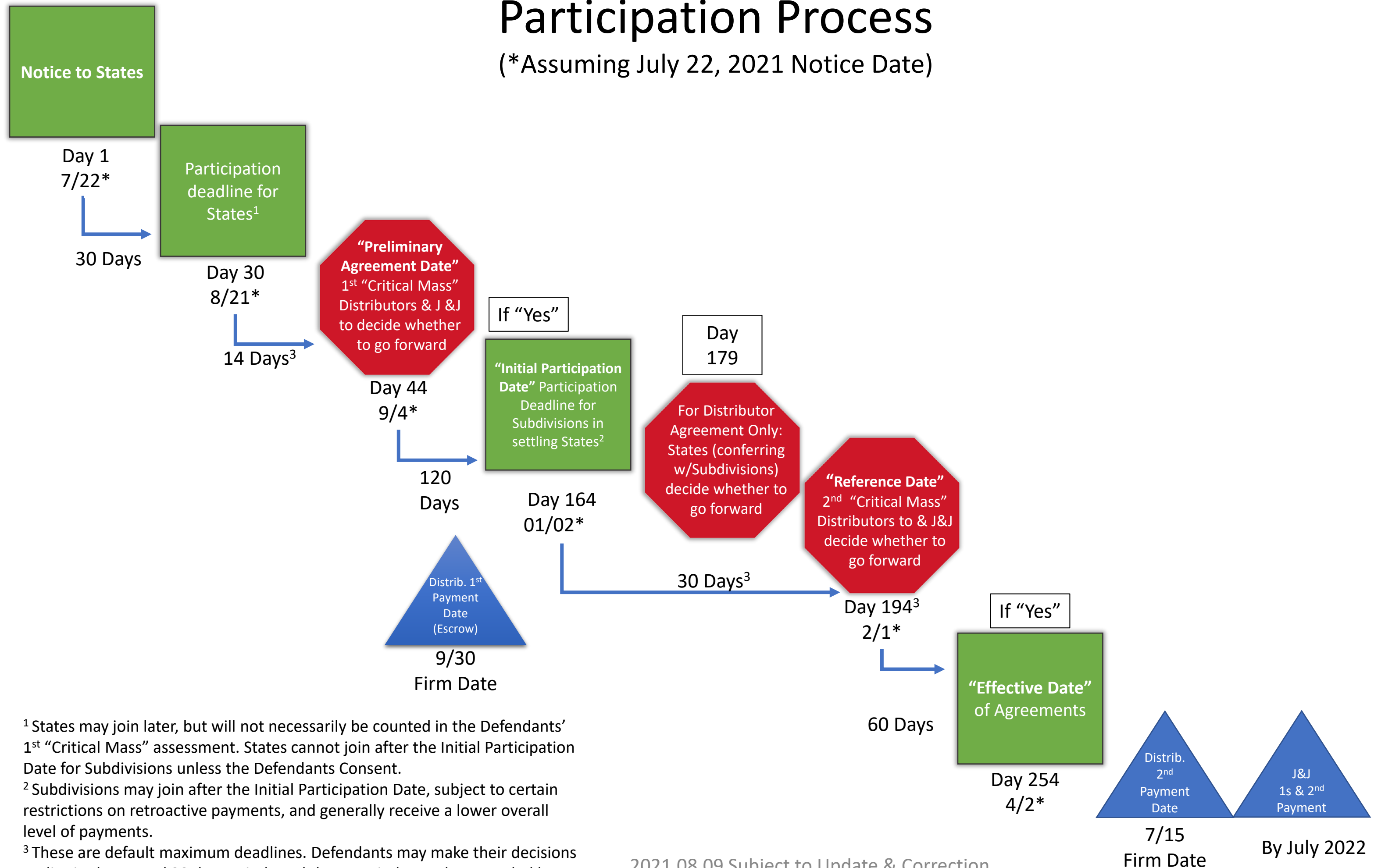


# Participation Process

(\*Assuming July 22, 2021 Notice Date)



<sup>1</sup> States may join later, but will not necessarily be counted in the Defendants' 1<sup>st</sup> "Critical Mass" assessment. States cannot join after the Initial Participation Date for Subdivisions unless the Defendants Consent.

<sup>2</sup> Subdivisions may join after the Initial Participation Date, subject to certain restrictions on retroactive payments, and generally receive a lower overall level of payments.

<sup>3</sup> These are default maximum deadlines. Defendants may make their decisions earlier in the 14 and 30 day periods and these periods may be extended by consent of the parties.