

**Question for written answer E-002125/2025
to the Commission
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Subject: Measures to reduce cancer risk in children and young people

It is estimated that in 2022, over 9 000 children up to the age of 14 were diagnosed with cancer and over 1 600 died from cancer in Europe. Moreover, there is an estimated 20 % gap in childhood cancer survival rates, with eastern European countries facing significant challenges. Discrepancies between EU countries can be seen in access to essential cancer medicines and to clinical trials for children and adolescents, which poses a significant challenge at EU level.

Given the ongoing need to drive change and continue reducing cancer risk in children and young people across the EU:

1. What measures will be included in the multiannual financial framework 2028-2034 to strengthen a robust European Health Union where all children and young people with cancer have equal access to high-quality care, diagnosis and treatment, ensuring the same hope of survival regardless of where they live?
2. Will the Commission maintain the spotlight on childhood cancer within Europe's Beating Cancer Plan with regard to future EU actions in cancer research and innovation?

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