

Question for written answer E-004243/2025
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Accessibility of the European health insurance card for persons with visual impairments

Decision No S2 of 12 June 2009 establishes the technical specifications of the European Health Insurance Card¹. However, this card is not adapted for persons with visual impairments or blindness, as it lacks tactile or Braille features that would allow for its identification and autonomous use.

Taking into account the principles of universal accessibility and non-discrimination set out in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, ratified by the European Union, as well as the provisions of Article 26 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union,

Does the Commission plan to review or update the technical specifications of the European Health Insurance Card to include Braille markings or other features that would facilitate its use by persons with visual impairments?

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¹ Decision No S2 of 12 June 2009 concerning the technical specifications of the European Health Insurance Card (OJ C 106, 24.4.2010, p. 26).