**Question for written answer E-000473/2026**
**to the Commission**
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Subject: Reaffirming EU leadership in healthcare and eliminating regional medical disparities

The EU has committed to ending the HIV epidemic by 2030. However, data from the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control shows uneven progress, and funding cuts which risks reversing decades of gains. With nearly 800 000 people living with HIV in the EU/EEA, certain states face high diagnosis rates and barriers to modern care. The lack of a strategic framework since 2016 leaves communities vulnerable and puts pressure on healthcare systems, particularly in Eastern Europe.

Considering the lack of a dedicated EU framework since the expiration of the EU action plan on HIV/AIDS in 2016:

1. Will the Commission launch a new EU HIV/AIDS action plan in 2026 focusing on inclusive prevention, education, and anti-stigma measures to meet UNAIDS 2030 targets?

2. What specific EU4Health and cohesion funding will be mobilised for high-incidence Member States to modernise screening and ensure equitable access to next-generation treatments?

3. How will the Commission translate HIV prioritisation within the Expert Group on Public Health into concrete performance indicators to reduce health gaps between EU regions?

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