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As the Commission pointed out in its answer to the written questions P-001801/2019¹, P-003709/2017², E-001443/2017³ and E-001484/2017⁴, the Commission does not have a position on the issue of assisted dying. Responsibility for healthcare, including care for terminally ill patients as well as related ethical questions, rests with the Member States.

Therefore, the Commission has no general powers to intervene with the Member States in this area.

¹ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-8-2019-001801_EN.html

² https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/P-8-2017-003709_EN.html

³ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-8-2017-001443_EN.html

⁴ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-8-2017-001484_EN.html