

**Question for written answer E-015272/2015/rev.1  
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Rules on education for hospital patients and out-patients

The Confederation of Galician School Pupils' and Parents' Associations (Confederación de Anpas Galegas) has lodged a complaint against the government of Galicia and the Spanish Government for failing to ensure that hospital in- and out-patients receive education, in accordance with legislation that states that 'no personal or social circumstance may justify any discrimination whatsoever in arranging education for pupils' (Decree 229/2011 of the government of Galicia and Organic Law 2/2006).

This complaint has brought to light the case of a pupil who is currently unable to attend normal classes as a result of his treatment for cancer. Despite complaints and protests made on his behalf, he is currently receiving only six hours of teaching per week, much less than the minimum of 12.5 hours per week that the Confederation considers acceptable.

Galicia makes no arrangements whatsoever for the education of patients. During this pupil's hospitalisation, his family were forced to complain to the hospital since no educators were available.

Under its strategy for effectively applying the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, the Commission must ensure respect for children's rights during the process of drafting and implementing legislation.

Can the Commission provide information on best practices in the Member States?