

**Question for written answer E-001430/2019
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Specialising in child psychiatry in Spain

The Spanish Ministry of Health has suddenly decided to stop offering child psychiatry as a medical specialty. Between 10 % and 20 % of children and adolescents worldwide have mental health problems¹. Spain and Bulgaria are the only EU Member States that do not offer a specialty in child psychiatry, even though doing so is recommended by the European Union of Medical Specialists².

1. In the Commission's view, is Spain failing to abide by Directive 2005/36/EC of 7 September 2005 on the recognition of professional qualifications³?
2. If so, what action will the Commission take to ensure that Spain complies with the current legislation?
3. Does the Commission believe that Spain should offer a specialty in child psychiatry?

¹ [https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736\(11\)60827-1/fulltext](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(11)60827-1/fulltext)

² https://www.uems.eu/__data/assets/pdf_file/0019/44434/UEMS-2014.18-European-Training-Requirements-Child-adolescent-Psychiatry.pdf

³ OJ L 255, 30.9.2005, p. 22.