

**Question for written answer P-000686/2019
to the Commission**

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Subject: Cross-border standardisation in healthcare

The Commission has, together with the Council, initiated various activities to date to improve the standardisation and interoperability of healthcare in the EU. These activities include Directive 2011/24/EU on the application of patients' rights in cross border healthcare, the Member States' European eHealth Governance Initiative (eHGI) and the European epSOS project. In 2018, the European eHealth Digital Service Infrastructure (eHDSI) is supposed to start operating with the objective of sharing patient health records and e-prescriptions across borders.

1. What efforts are made by the Commission in general to provide for harmonised standards in e-health services?
2. What measures will the Commission take to achieve the interoperability of national IT-based healthcare systems (i.e. the creation of interfaces)?
3. What chances and opportunities are being taken to introduce cross-border e-prescription in all Member States that is neutral in terms of competition and technology?