

ORAL QUESTION H-0629/06

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to the Commission

Subject: Major diseases in the EU and the 'Programme of Community action in the field of Health and Consumer protection (2007-2013)'

The European Commission states that, due to a lack of resources, there has been a change in the priorities of the 'Programme of Community action in the field of Health and Consumer protection 2007-2013)' and mention of major diseases in the European Union has been dropped. How does the Commission intend to tackle the most common diseases in the EU if they are not included in the action programme? On what basis did the Commission decide in favour of a policy of so-called 'health determinants' rather than a policy of 'major diseases', and why does the Commission believe that the former approach will be more effective?

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