

ORAL QUESTION H-0047/08  
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pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure  
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to the Council

Subject: Cancer diagnosis

Success in combating a disease often depends on early diagnosis, and this is particularly true in the case of breast cancer. Modern equipment - a positron emission tomograph (PET)/computer tomograph (CT) - is essential to such early diagnosis, and Lithuania has no such equipment. Patients are forced to travel to other countries to be examined and their sickness insurance schemes do not reimburse the expenses incurred.

Could the Council outline the situation with regard to cancer diagnosis in the EU, in particular in the new Member States? What good practices have been identified in this area? What measures can we take to resolve this problem?

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