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to the Commission**

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Subject: Commission response to Parliament resolution on diabetes

In November 2022, Parliament adopted a resolution on diabetes. The Commission responded to it in March 2023. In its response, the Commission mentioned its work on primary prevention through initiatives like Healthier Together. However, it did not address secondary prevention or concrete EU-wide targets.

1. The resolution recalls the World Health Organization's global coverage targets for 2030 for diabetes. The EU has also committed to support the Member States in achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals, in particular target 3.4 to reduce premature mortality from non-communicable diseases. Will the Commission present a diabetes plan, with coordinated milestones, targets and an implementation roadmap, in order to meet these targets?
2. How is the Commission planning to address the request to improve the lives of the 32 million people living with diabetes (PwD) in the EU, who are at risk of developing severe complications such as cardiovascular diseases and some cancers?
3. The resolution calls on the Commission to engage with patient organisations and PwD in a structured way. Following the co-creation process for Healthier Together, there has been no further consultation with civil society and PwD. Engaging with civil society should not be a box-ticking exercise. How is the Commission planning to meaningfully engage with patients and civil society to build a stronger European Health Union?

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