ADA releases orthodontic use cases for public comment

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Use Case example (Photo credit: stuart lamour)

The American Dental Association Standards Committee for Dental Informatics has just released one of the milestones for the development of an informatics standard that will allow all orthodontic related software to inter-operate. One of the first steps is to develop a set of use-cases. These act like small storyboards and serve the purpose of identifying what actually needs to get standardized.

Anyone can go to their website, read the draft, ask for the full document for free, and make comments by following the link:

All Interested Parties Review for Proposed ADA Technical Report No. 1065 for Use Cases of the Orthodontic Electronic Health Record

Now that these use-cases are here and ADA approved, it will be possible to investigate current standards, such HL7 and DICOM, to find out if they are fit for these use-cases.