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Abstract

Today orthodontists need not burden their work load with tasks such as figuring out how to send patient information to colleagues or how to share the same patient record across different software programs. As a long term attempt to alleviate these tasks, we are working on developing a standard for the orthodontic electronic patient record to enable a seamless interchange of patient data between software programs. This article describes a practical proposal that integrates two existing standards, HL7 and DICOM, to create a standard for the orthodontic electronic patient record.

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