DICOM - Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine

DICOM Working Group Activity Report Template

DICOM Working Group Chairs are requested to submit periodic reports to the DSC which oversees their work.

WG-nn – <Working Group Name>

The content of the first part are the basis for discussions at DSC

Since Last Report:

Meetings:
- <face-to-face, tcons, etc>
- E.g. 3-day face-to-face during X Conference in July; monthly tcons
- E.g. Dormant pending relevant workitem proposals or CPs

Participation:
- <is representation from needed stakeholder groups in your active membership strong, sufficient, weak>
- <are there types of stakeholders you would like to recruit?: physicians, specialists, medical physicists, other users, manufacturers, regulators, technologists, administrators, etc>

Topics for the DSC Discussion:
- <operational problem areas (put clinical, technical and deployment problem areas below)>
- <industry or clinical developments of interest relative to this Working Group>
- <education gaps worth discussing with WG-29, conformance topics worth raising with WG-31, deployment/implementation gaps worth discussing with … IHE?>

Revisions below get incorporated into the next update of the DICOM Strategic Document.
Please review the material below when preparing each report and highlight any revisions with change tracking.
Include material that will help you keep your WG focused and material that will keep outsiders (non-participating vendors, users, SDOs, regulators etc) up to date on "What's going on in DICOM these days?"

Secretariat	<organization which provides the secretariat services for the working group>
Secretary	<name of the convener/coordinator from the secretariat>
	<email of the convener/coordinator>
Chair, Co-Chairs	<name(s) and organization(s) of the WG chair/co-chairs>
	< wgXXchairs@dicomstandard.org >

Scope:
- <describe the scope and responsibilities of the working group; what topic area does it cover, what kind of activities does it undertake and broadly what is its strategic direction?>

Current Supplements, Work and Objectives:

- <list active or recently completed supplement numbers, titles and the type and date of last milestone> E.g. Sup789 Virtual Patient Volumes – published for public comment 2015.08.22
- <list any significant CPs in progress or recently completed>
- <list other non-supplement work and objectives, e.g. whitepapers, demonstrations, collaborations with other DICOM WGs, Standards Groups, professional societies, government initiatives, etc.>

Challenges and Opportunities (Environment):

- E.g. Encourage users to participate in finding solutions.
- E.g. In the general Radiography and Angiography lab environment already various non-image data exist and need to be exchanged to assure flow of information. The different departments are increasingly switching to digital communication and rely on implementation of Standards.
- E.g. The WG-01 work items are focusing on the cardiac procedures, but can be taken as baseline to identify challenges in the general radiology environment. Either co-work items can evolve or WG-02 takes over the concepts to produce standards in the non-cardiac environment.

Future Roadmap and Objectives (Committee Direction):

- <list any approved workitems not fulfilled by already mentioned supplements>
- <list possible future workitem proposals which will often be a planned response to an opportunity or challenge. "Here is a thorn we are thinking about tackling or an environmental factor (pending regulation, change in clinical practice, change in technology) that we expect will force us to act soon in the Standard">
- <list ongoing relationships with other standards> E.g. Plan to review future revisions to the HL7 FHIR Resources for Imaging.>
- <Include expected timing where possible. When is the work targeted to be complete? Are there external milestones you are trying to sync with? What intermediate milestones are you targeting?>

Past Work:

- *<move things here from the Current Work section when they are no longer "recently completed". Provides a sense of what the WG does/did>*