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Timing in orthodontics: A simple guide for the general practitioner

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Thousands of children visit the dentist every year and even though the general practitioners do their best to provide them with a good oral health, there is always something that escapes our control, the way teeth and jaws are disposed. According to research carried out in the UK almost 55% of the children population has an orthodontic problem. So, how do the general dentists know when it's the right time to refer these patients for their first appointment with orthodontist? Specialist's opinions differ on the matter of the right time to see the potential patients for their first time. These treatments are very time sensitive and if they're premature or delayed it leads to problems down the line which could have been prevented. The purpose of this study is to provide the general practitioner with the necessary tools and tricks to identify the most common malocclusions in the dental practice and to give them the ability to decide when is the perfect moment to start with our treatment based on age, development and the jaw problem.



Fig. Panoramic x-ray is always key to a good diagnose.

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