

## Identifying Asthma Patients—Process Sheet

### Paper charts

If your practice uses paper charts, we recommend keeping an asthma registry. This can be as simple as a Microsoft Excel worksheet with a list of patients with asthma. If your asthma patients are not already identified, review each patient chart and billing data for asthma-related ICD codes. Then flag these patients' charts with a color-coded sticker. Add these records to the registry and set up a reminder system that works for your practice.

### Electronic health records/Electronic medical records

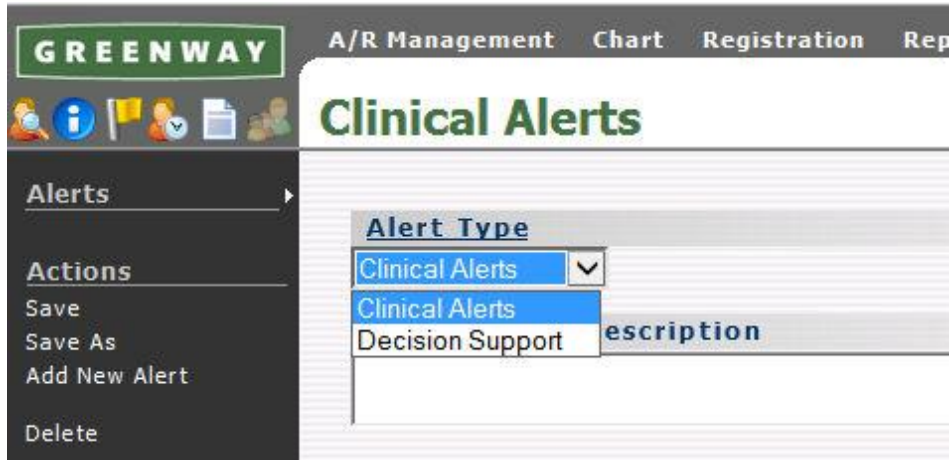
If you use an EMR system, create an electronic flag that indicates patients who have asthma. Each EMR might have a different process or way to identify the patients, but you should be able to group asthma patients together to set up reminders, alerts or messages. If you are not sure if your EMR has the capability, check with your vendor.

If you have eClinicalWorks, you can set up Messenger Campaigns to reach targeted sets of patients for reminders. These notifications can send out email and text reminders to get flu vaccines or to schedule their child's annual wellness visit.

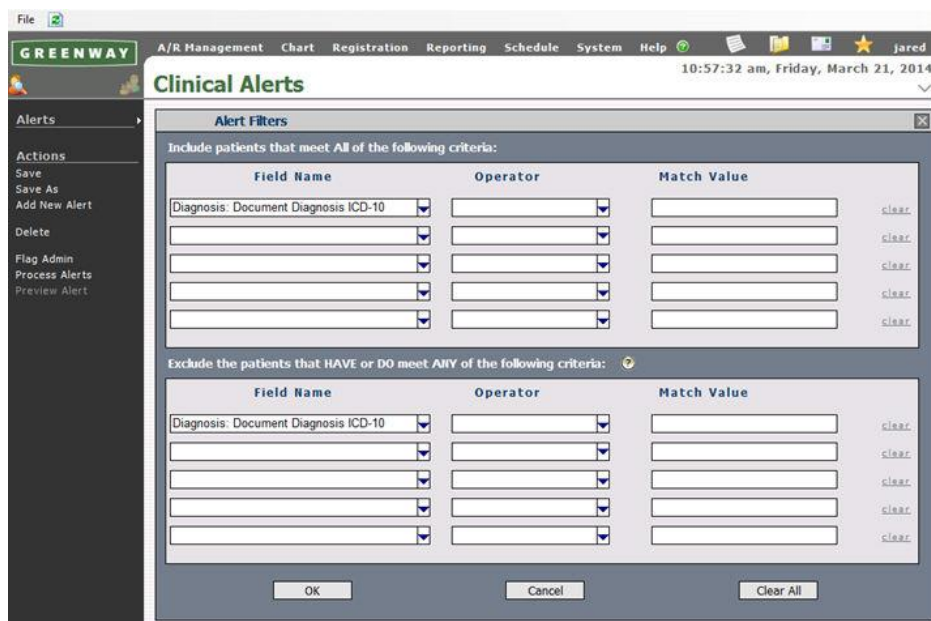
If you use PCC EHR, you can set up a clinical alert. The clinical alert will pop up when checking in the patient, opening the chart or scheduling them in the appointment book. A clinical alert for asthma can remind you to review the asthma action plan and to discuss the flu vaccine.

If you have Greenway Health, here's an example for setting up clinical alerts from Greenway Health.

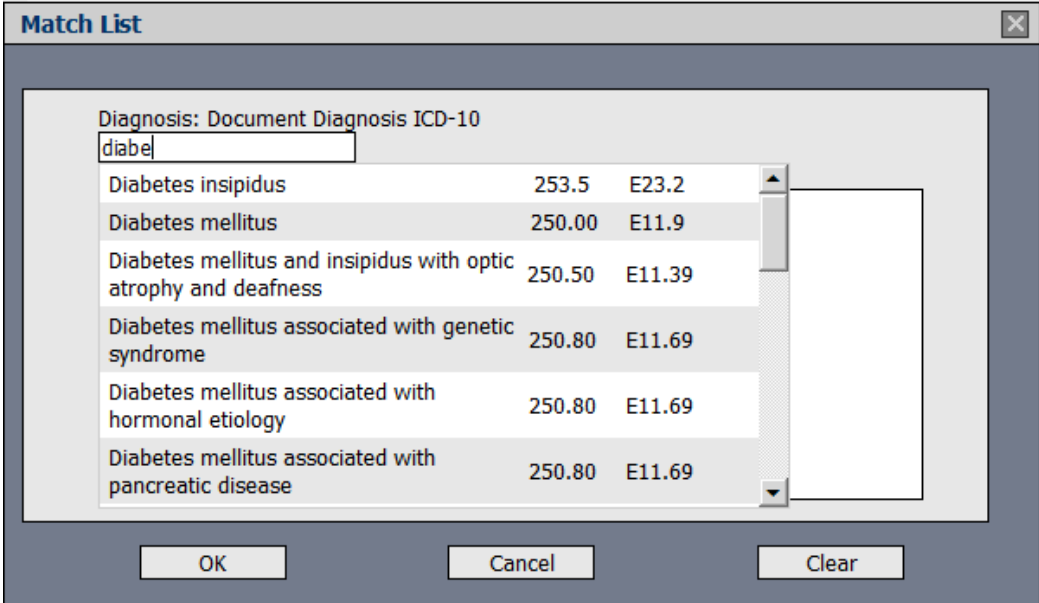
The screenshot shows the Greenway Health software interface for configuring clinical alerts. The top navigation bar includes 'GREENWAY' and menu items: 'A/R Management', 'Chart', 'Registration', 'Reporting', 'Schedule', 'System', and 'Help'. The current page is titled 'Clinical Alerts' and shows the time '4:06:32 pm, Thursday, March 20,'. On the left is a sidebar with 'Alerts' selected and a list of actions: 'Save', 'Save As', 'Add New Alert', 'Delete', 'Flag Admin', 'Process Alerts', and 'Preview Alert'. The main content area is titled 'Clinical Alerts' and contains several sections: 'Alert Type' (set to 'Clinical Alerts'), 'Clinical Alert Description' (a text area), 'Clinical Alert Filters' (with a '(Match ALL Filters)' note and two criteria rows for 'Include patients that meet All of the following criteria:' and 'Exclude the patients that HAVE or DO meet ANY of the following criteria:'), 'Clinical Alert Flag', 'Associated Flowsheet' (set to 'None'), 'Clinical Alert URL' (a text area), and 'Clinical Alert Recall' (with sub-sections for 'Appointment Category:', 'Appointment Type:', and 'Recall Date Due:').



## New Field Name



# Create Match List Search



If you have questions about setting up alerts at your practice, please contact TCCN at [Quality@tccn-choa.org](mailto:Quality@tccn-choa.org) or your EMR vendor.