Influenza Code Correction 2019/2020 Flu Season

17/9/2019

At the time of writing there is some confusion over the correct code needed to obtain payment for the administration of a seasonal influenza vaccine post 1/9/2019.

The Business Rules that underpin the Enhanced Services are expressed in SNOMED. By mapping the SNOMED codes back to their equivalent Read codes, it can be shown that 65ED is no longer included in the code clusters SFLUGP1 and SFLUGP2. This change is reinforced in the Business Rules Change Log Expanded Clusters document produced by NHS Digital.

Which codes should be used instead?

Practices are advised to use the following Read codes to record inactivated seasonal influenza vaccinations:

Read Code	Read Description	SNOMED Code
65ED4	Administration of first inactivated seasonal influenza vaccination	985151000000100
65ED5	Administration of second inactivated seasonal influenza vaccination	985171000000109

Work Around

To help we have built a search and a protocol to correct any of the legacy codes already applied since 1/9/19
The search helps you to identify who may be affected with the legacy code where no correction has been applied.
The protocol helps you apply the correct code, whilst maintaining reference to clinical details in the original code.
So, the protocol will leave the records with
- **Seasonal influenza vaccination** (the legacy code), original date of the jab
- **Administration of first inactivated seasonal influenza vaccination**, dated on the day the protocol was run WITH associated text pointing to the legacy code date, and clinical details.

Build your Search Like this:

Flu code 65ED used NOT CORRECTED (no longer included 19-20)

Rule 1	If Rule Passed : **Goto Next Rule**	If Rule Failed : **Exclude from final result**

Include **Patients** with **Clinical Codes** where:
the **Clinical Code** is Seasonal influenza vaccination
and the **Date** is after 01-Sep-2019

Click here to add another feature to this rule.

Rule 2	If Rule Passed : **Exclude from final result**	If Rule Failed : **Include in final result**

Include **Patients** with **Clinical Codes** where:
the **Clinical Code** is Administration of first inactivated seasonal influenza vacc, etc...
and the **Date** is after or on 01-Sep-2019

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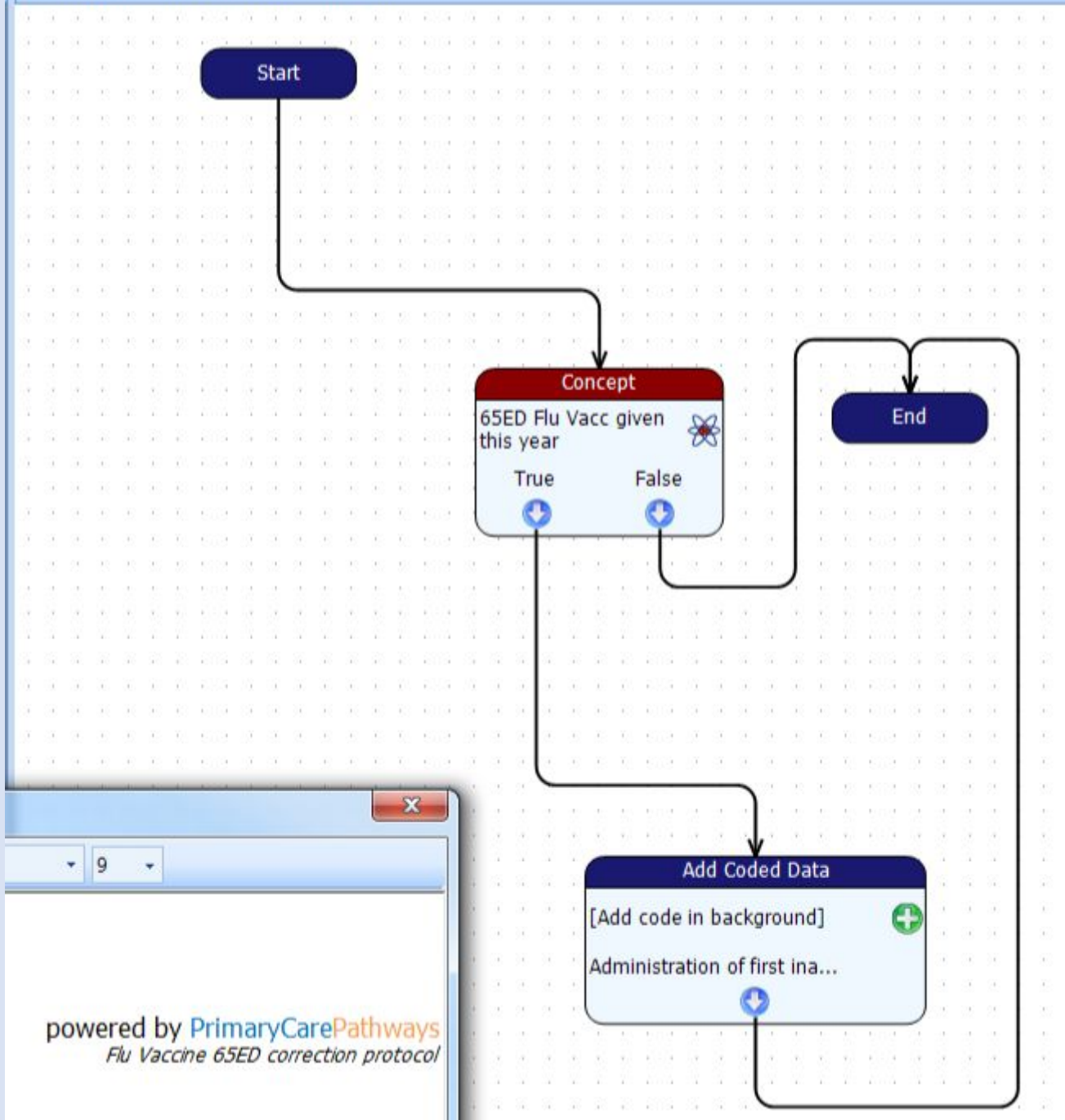
Click here to add another Rule.

Build your Protocol Like this:

1. In Concept Manager build the following concept

65ED Flu Vacc given this year

Rule # 1	If Rule Passed: **Final Result passes**	If Rule Failed: **Final Result fails**

Include patient with **Clinical Codes** where:
the **Clinical Code** is Seasonal influenza vaccination
Click to add a filter attribute
Ordering by **Date** and select the **Latest**
and check that:
the **Date** is at least 01/09/2019
Click to add a test attribute
Click to add a linked criterion
Performing all date tests with **Today's Date**
Allow concept to evaluate shared care record data **No**

Add a nested rule

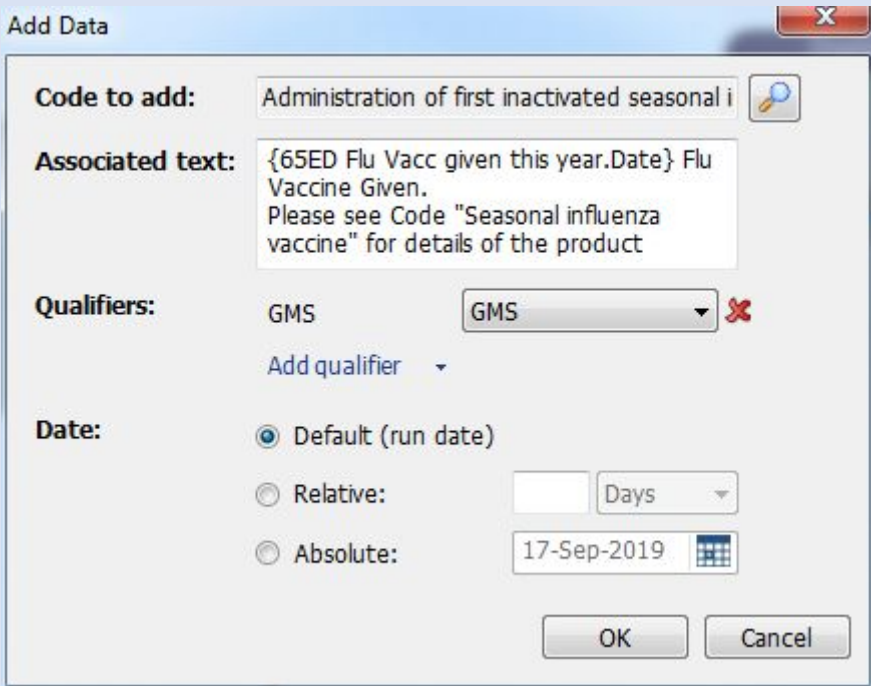Click here to add another rule

Click here to add a custom result value

2. in Template Manager build the following protocol which adds the correct code to the records (65ED4)

Flu Vaccine 65ED correction protocol

Start

Concept

65ED Flu Vacc given this year

True   False

End

Add Coded Data

[Add code in background]

Administration of first ina...

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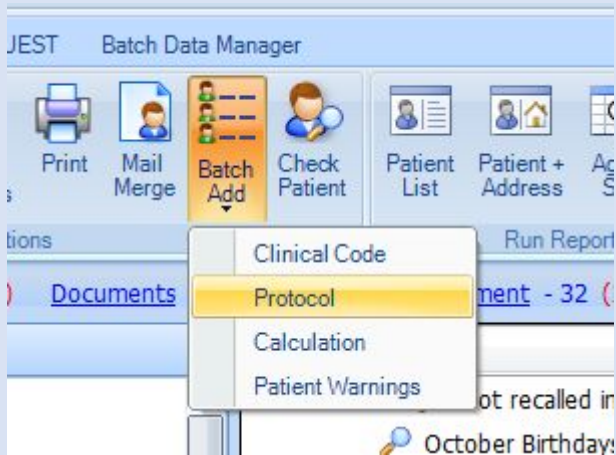powered by PrimaryCarePathways
Flu Vaccine 65ED correction protocol

3. Program that node with a curly bracket as noted here:

{65ED Flu Vacc given this year.Date} Flu Vaccine given etc etc

4. this can then be run against the results of the search by using the **Batch Add** option of the Search module

END

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