Examples:

- 1. Mr. Jones has controlled diabetes with NO complications (check list above) and takes insulin.
- 2. Mrs. Jones has uncontrolled diabetes and takes insulin.
- 3. Mr. Smith has well controlled diabetes with nephropathy (2 positive Microalbumins, CKD<3), non proliferative retinopathy, and neuropathy. He does not take insulin.
- 4. His husband, Mr. Smith, has uncontrolled diabetes with a foot ulcer and takes insulin.
- 5. Ms. Myers has well controlled diabetes with nephropathy and CKD4, proliferative retinopathy, neuropathy, an active foot ulcer, an amputated great toe, and takes insulin.
- 6. Mrs. Ayers has a history of lymphoma in the distant past. She had a stent put in 10 years ago; prior to having her stent she would get short of breath walking up the hill to her house; since then she does not. She had febrile seizures as a child. Currently, she walks with a cane due to left leg weakness from a stroke 5 years ago, and her left hand is somewhat weak. She was diagnosed with depression when her husband died 5 years ago; she saw a therapist for 6 months and has not needed one since; she currently has no complaints of depression.
- 7. Jim Dandy was exposed to Agent Orange in the Vietnam War, and has lost some feeling in his toes. He used to drink heavily, and had a DUI years ago. He no longer drinks. He takes meds for Major depression and PTSD, run by the VA. He smoked heavily for years, and is on oxygen at 2 L.
- 8. Con Sarnit has a BMI of 36 and osteoarthritis. He also has a colostomy from an accident years ago.
- 9. Mrs. Arch is 93 years old and has been losing weight; she now weighs 20% less than ideal weight for her size.
- 10. You have a TBI patient

Answers:

- 1. You can bill E11.9 (diabetes no complications) and be done. If you bill Z79.4 (chronic insulin use) it will add nothing. Total RAF 0.106
- 2. You would bill E11.8 (diabetes with multiple complications) AND Z79.4 (chronic insulin use) total RAF 0.413
- 3. You can bill E11.8 (diabetes with multiple complications) OR E11.65 (DM with nephropathy) and E11.40 (DM with retinopathy) and E11.20 (DM with neuropathy), but the total RAF will be 0.307 as all those HCC codes are identical Medicare only counts ONE diagnosis per HCC code.
- 4. You would bill E11.8 (diabetes with multiple complications), E11.621 (DM II with foot ulcer), and Z79.4 (chronic insulin use) for a total RAF of 2.170. Could consider peripheral vascular disease I739 0.299 RAF based on exam.
- Code E11.8 (diabetes with multiple complications), E11.3559 (DM stable proliferative retinopathy), E11.621 (DM II with foot ulcer), N184 (CKD 4) and Z79.4 (chronic insulin use) for a total RAF score of 2.034
- 6. Code C81 lymphoma, I20.9 Angina, R56 convulsions, I69 Late effects of stroke Hemiplegia, F32 Major Depression single mild total RAF score 1.870
- 7. Code G62 toxic neuropathy, F10 in remission Alcohol dependence; F 32 major depression recurrent, J439 emphysema and J9612 chronic respiratory failure total RAF 1.833
- 8. Code E6601 AND Osteoarthritis, assess both, state osteoarthritis is due to excess weight, and Z933 total RAF 1.016
- 9. Code malnutrition E441 mild RAF 0.713
- 10. Code TBI S06.2X0S RAF 0.163