



## CNRS Occupational Therapy's <u>Top 10 Tips</u>

- 1. Don't be afraid to look after yourself and put your needs first
- 2. Sleep and rest when you need to, listen to your body
- 3. Try and keep a routine e.g. take tablets at the same time every day
- 4. Use external tools e.g. calendar/ mobile phone to set reminders and help you manage your life
- 5. Have a pen and paper handy e.g. by the phone
- 6. Use your community wisely e.g. shop where you know the staff will be supportive, walk your dog somewhere others know you
- 7. Accept help from family, friends and neighbours when you need it
- 8. Dress your affected side first and undress it last
- 9. Keep as active as possible
- 10. Try to be open to making the changes necessary to support your longer term independence.