TOP 10 CHECKLIST FOR HOME OR SELF-MANAGEMENT OF SKIN TEARS

1) Have I been given an individualised skin tear prevention and management plan?
2) Am I ensuring I eat enough nutritious food? 3) Am I staying hydrated?
4) Am I bathing using pH-balanced cleanser? 5) Am I using an emollient to moisturise my skin (especially the arms, hands,
legs)?
6) Am I wearing protective clothing (e.g. long sleeves and tubular bandages)? 7) Am I wearing sensible footwear to prevent slips and falls?
8) Have I created a safe environment (e.g. padding furniture and adequate lighting)?
9) Am I keeping as active as possible?
10) Am I keeping my nails short and avoiding jewellery that can scratch or snag the skin?