

Hatch employees certified as sleep specialists

Employees of Hatch Furniture of Yankton, S.D., recently became certified sleep specialists. The employees completed specialized training with Furniture First's director of mattresses, Bob Muenkel. The Yankton store employees are Jennifer Eickhoff, Jolene Williamson, Carrie Barney and Jessica Arens. The training covered the physiology of sleep, including the five stages in the two major classifications of sleep. More importantly, Hatch's employees learned how to correctly match a mattress to an individual's needs. After the training sessions, Hatch's employees were tested on their proficiency in the subject in order to receive certification. Muenkel has more than 17 years experience in the mattress industry. He based this training program on his work at a major bedding manufacturer and a mattress specialty chain in the north east.