SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

DIVISION OF LICENSURE & ACCREDITATION

Office of Health Protection

WEEKLY THERMOMETER CALIBRATION CHART

Person's Name or Position	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4

Thermometers should be calibrated at least once a week. New thermometers should be calibrated before initial use. To calibrate a thermometer, fill a small container with ice and add water to form slush. Insert the stem of the thermometer into the slush. Temperature should read 32° F. If necessary, use a wrench to hold the nut at the base of the thermometer in place while turning the dial of the thermometer while it is still immersed until it reads the correct temperature. Boiling water (212° F) may also be used in the same manner.