

When Do Kids Remember the Doctor's Office?

Description

Getting older isn't always all fun and games. At least, not when you have a visit to the doctor's office on the agenda, no thanks to Mom and Dad. Our unsuspecting Avery found this out firsthand when we met Going Mom at the doctor's for her 18 month checkup.

As I was driving, I wondered if Avery would remember the place where shots are given and have a change in her mood. I think I got my answer soon after walking in with my wife,



Yeah, she wasn't getting the "good vibes" and I could almost see the wheels turning in her head as she flashed back to [previous visits](#).



That was her 5 month vaccination trip. As you can tell, we had a grand ol' time! She definitely remembers that platform. Before there were even shots in sight, Avery freaked as we set her down just to get measurements. 21.6 pounds and 32 inches of pure terror love.



What looks like a needle is just the nurse’s pen, if you were wondering. She seemed to calm down after realizing it was just a routine head circumference and length measurement that the nurse wanted and no shots yet. We let her roam around the room to explore as we both pulled out our phones to take pictures.



Pictures in the doctor's office are always a must. So many emotions to capture! We even took turns holding our sweet girl having the other take pictures.



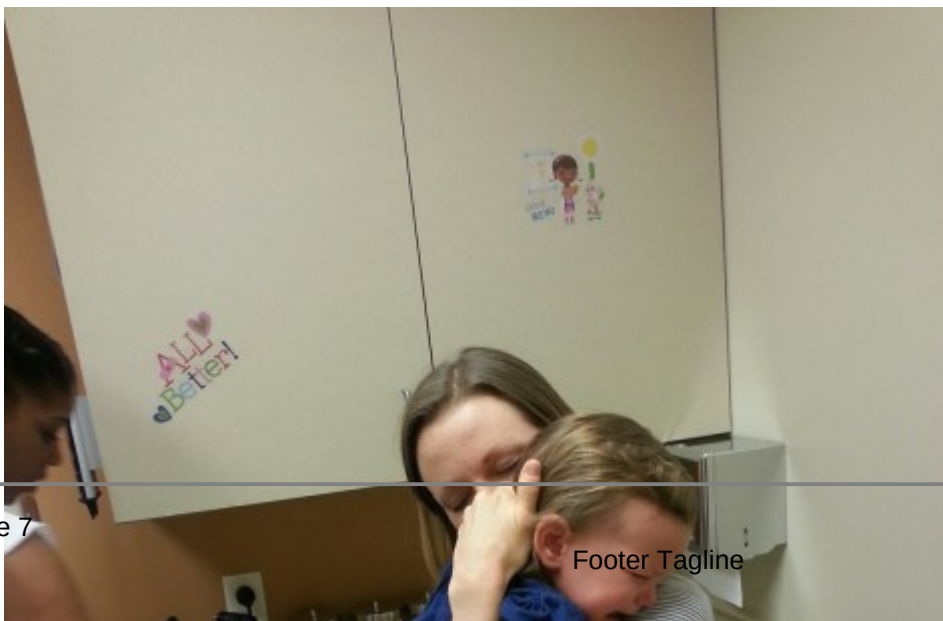
I had to tickle her for that priceless smile. Then it was time for the shot. Only one, but it may as well of been fifty; she was irate. With the pitch of an opera singer, Avery let out screams of disapproval as she was held down on the soft and foamy platform torture bed.



It really must feel like torture when youâ€™re being held down against your will, huh? What kind of people are we?! Oh yeah, just the typical parents. Actually, there would be more shots if we followed the typical vaccination schedule, but since weâ€™re not bombarding her all at once with shots, she should thank us. Maybe right after this stickâ€™.



If you can't tell, this is the exact moment the needle entered her upper quad region. Poor thing, that opera singer would be envious if she heard the screams emanating from the tiny room in the doctor's office. There's nothing like the comfort of Mom to make things better though.



At least pull my pants back up!!

Well, that and a Cookie Monster sticker from the receptionist.



Just to make sure all is well in the world again, Kelley came back to the car to nurse Avery before she had to go back to work. Nursing right after getting shots is something she has done each time, and it is the perfect way to comfort your upset child.

I love how adamant Going Mom is about making sure Avery is calm and happy; such a wonderful Mommy! And wife! Today we are off to celebrate a neighbor's 1 year old birthday party and then a belated Mother's Day with our families. Looking forward to a good day and hopefully more [ass healing](#)!

At what age did your kids start to recognize the doctor's office?

Any big plans for the weekend or just keeping it low key?

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