

Directions: Fill in the blanks.

Olivia and her son Carlos were at the \_\_\_ical clinic. It was the week of Carlos' birth\_\_\_. He had just turned three. It was time for his regular check\_\_\_\_\_.

Olivia liked the nurses and doctors at the \_\_\_inic. They always smiled when they saw Carlos. "Look at you!" they said to him. "What a b\_\_\_ boy you are now!"

The staff at the clinic knew Carlos well. Olivia had been taking him there for his well-child visits since he was \_\_orn.

Dr. Perez always checked Carlos' weight and height. He checked his eyes and ears. He asked if Carlos was eat\_\_\_ and sleep\_\_\_ well. He asked questions about Carlos' speech. Dr. Perez even wanted to know how well Carlos played with other k\_\_\_s.

Olivia liked to talk about her boy with the doctor. He gave her good advice. It made her feel g\_\_\_\_\_.

On this checkup, Dr. Perez gave Carlos another shot. The needle always made Carlos \_\_\_eam and cry! Olivia gave him his teddy bear to hu\_\_\_. The vaccines would keep Carlos from getting sick. They would

prevent him from getting a bad virus like poli\_\_ or chicken pox.

Olivia had a special c\_\_d to rec\_\_d each one of Carlos' vaccines. He still had a few more to get before he started school.

“Carlos is very healthy,” said Dr. Perez. “You can bring him back to see me again in one year.”

“I will,” said Olivia. She was hap\_\_ to hear it.

“Tell me,” said Dr. Perez, “how are *you*, Olivia? Since Carlos was b\_\_, have you had a checkup?”

Olivia looked at the floor.

“You are a great m\_\_, Olivia,” said Dr. Perez. “But don't forget you need to take care of yourself too! On your way out, why don't you set up a visit with Dr. Willis here at the clinic? If you are due for a Pap tes\_, a tetanus sho\_, or anything else, she will take care of that. What do you say?”

“O.K.,” said Olivia. “I will do that. If Carlos can handle it, I guess I can \_\_oo.”

“Sure,” said Dr. Perez, “and I bet Carlos will even loan you his ted\_\_ bear.”