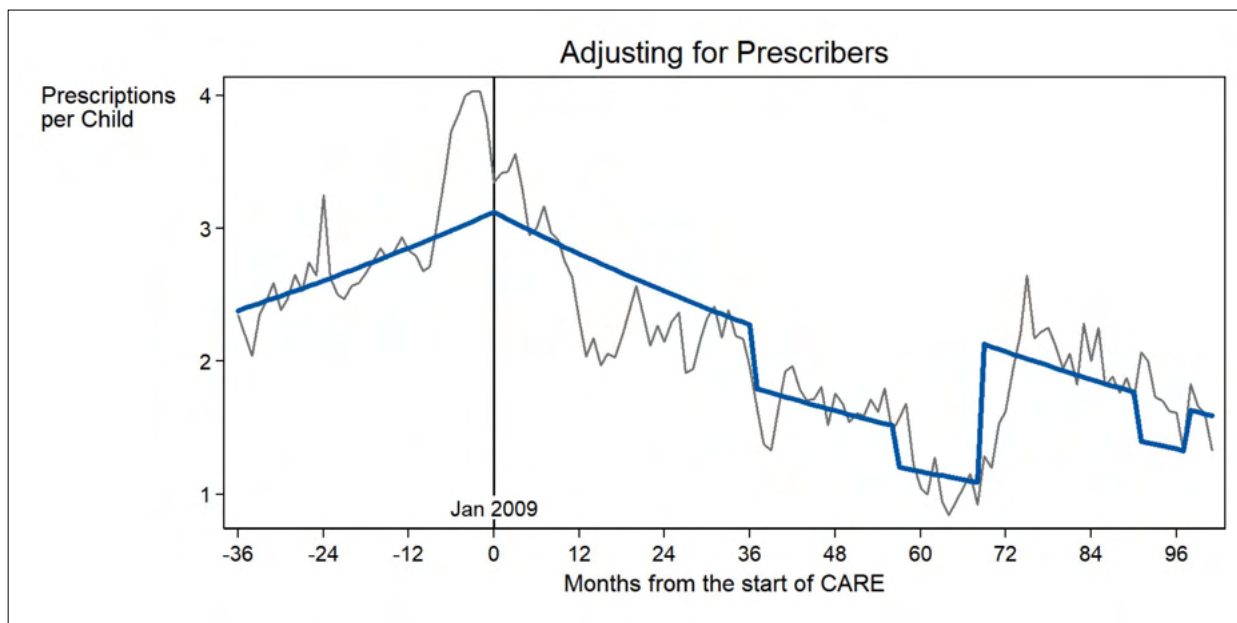




Decreases use of psychotropic medication



The use of psychotropic medication decreased for eight years after the start of CARE implementation in a single agency. See Smith et al. (2019) for a detailed report of these results.

In this figure summarizing an interrupted time series analysis at one agency, the light gray line connects the average number of psychotropic medication prescriptions per child per month, which was calculated by dividing the number of prescriptions per month by the number of children in care. The vertical line at 0 represents January 2009, the start of CARE implementation. The dark line represents the trend before and after the start of CARE, after adjusting for who was prescribing medications at each month.

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