12: Antipsychotics in dementia
Rate of use of risperidone

Pre-intervention period: Oct 2005-Sep 2007. Monthly change: 1.036 (1.03-1.04); p<0.0001. This means that use of risperidone was increasing by 3.6% per month pre-intervention.

Intervention period: Oct 2007-Jan 2008. Change in use: 0.86 (0.82-0.89); p<0.0001. This means that use of risperidone decreased by 14.3% at the time of the intervention.

Post-intervention period: Feb 2008-Sep 2009. Monthly change (relative to pre-intervention): 0.97 (0.96-0.98); p<0.0001. This means that the rate of use was decreasing by 2.7% per month relative to the pre intervention trend.

i.e. overall use continued to increase, but only by 0.9% per month. Overall effect: 1725 fewer veterans dispensed risperidone.