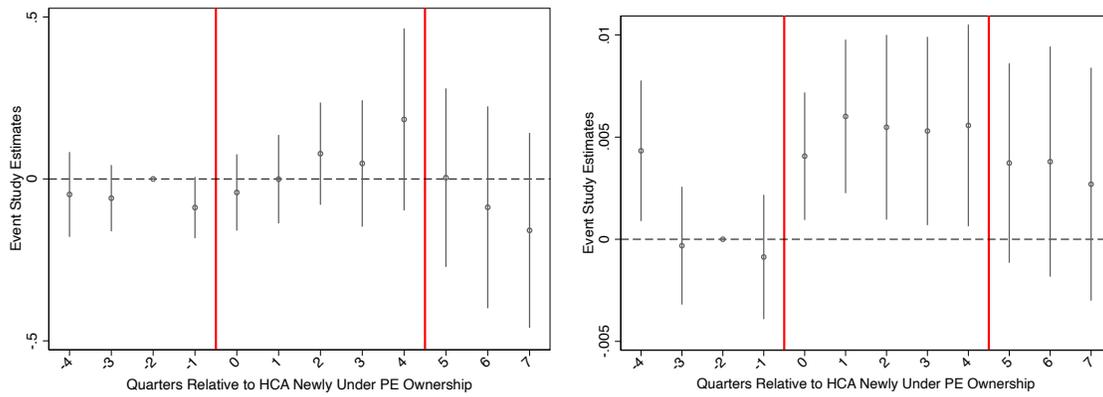


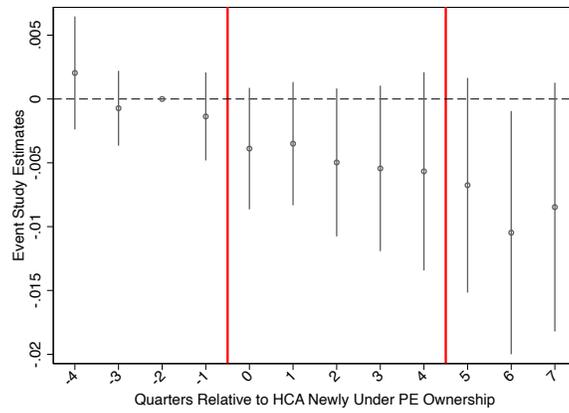
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Appendix Figure 1: PE Effects on Medicare Patient Mix



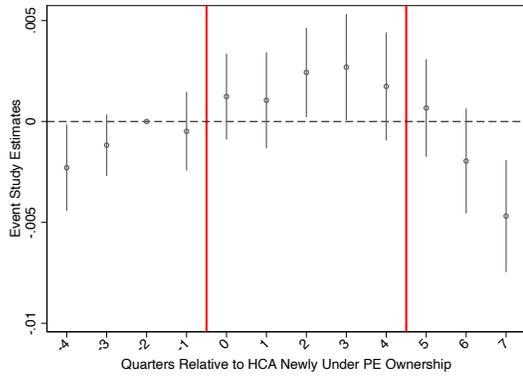
(a) Average Age

(b) Percent Female

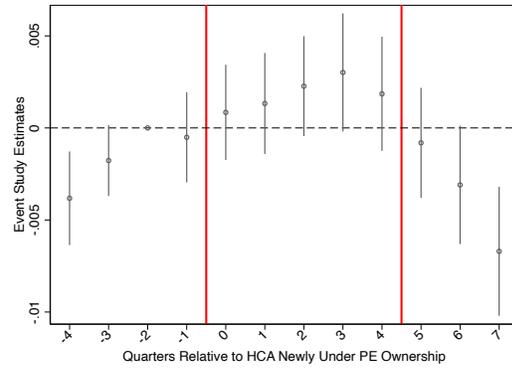


(c) Percent White

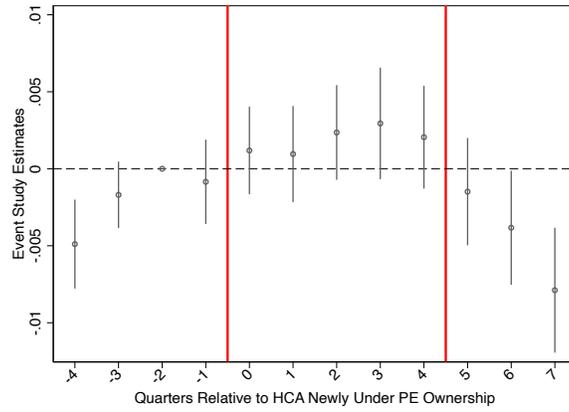
Appendix Figure 2: PE Effects on Hospitalized Medicare Beneficiary Mortality



(a) 30-day Mortality

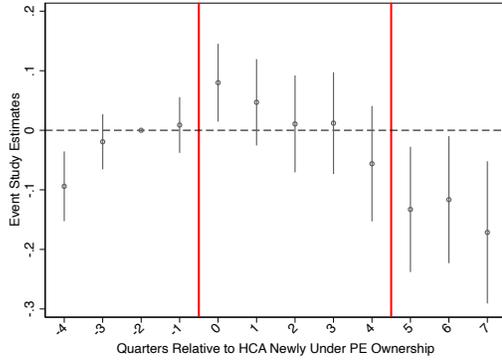


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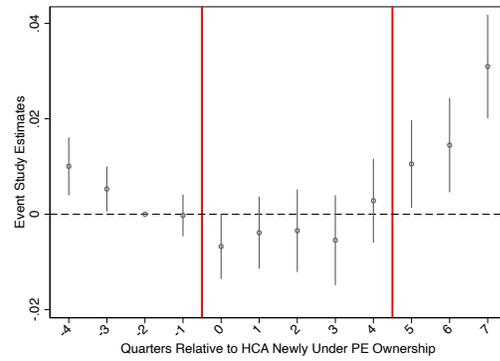


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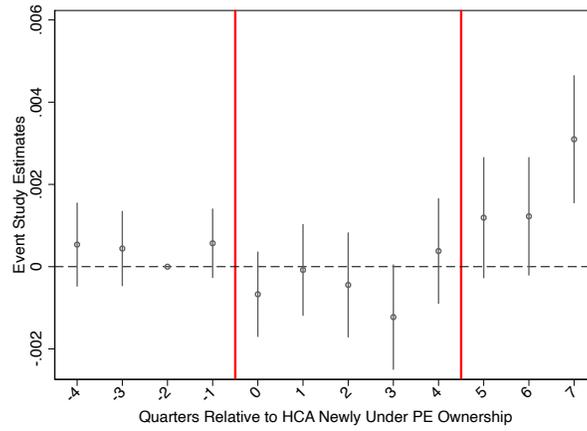
Appendix Figure 3: PE Effects on Length of Stay Outcomes



(a) Average Length of Stay (LOS)

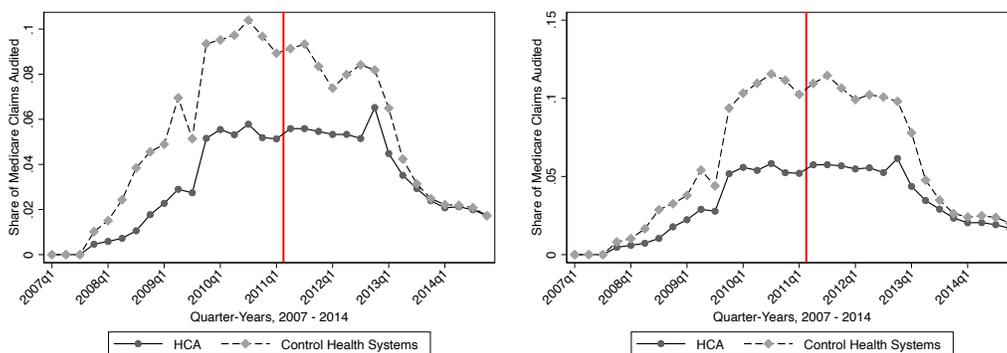


(b) Share Short Stays (<=2 days)



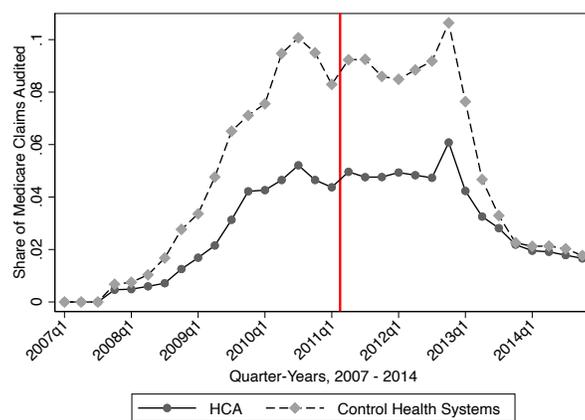
(c) Share Same-Day Discharge

Appendix Figure 4: Trends in CMS Audit Rates for Short Stay Hospitalizations by Treated/Control Status



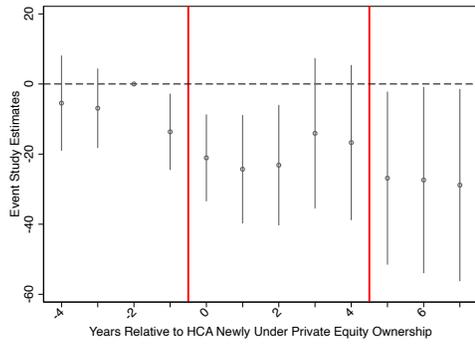
(a) All Regions

(b) Regions C + D

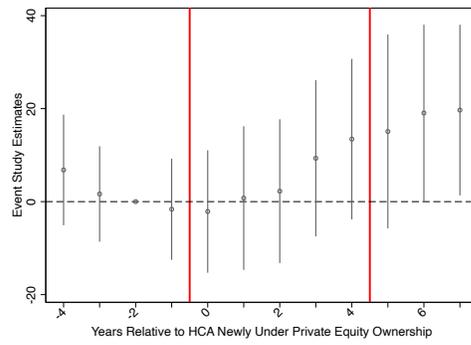


(c) Region C Only

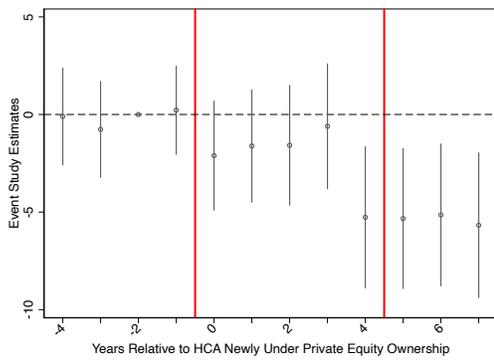
Appendix Figure 5: PE Effects on Hospital Nursing Employment



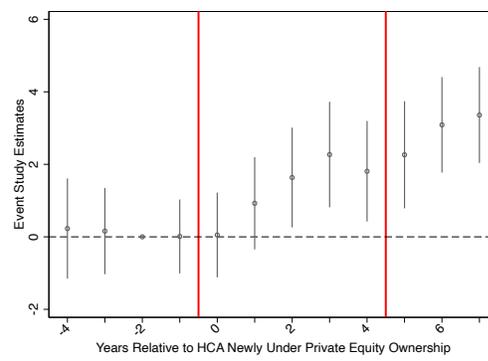
(a) Full-Time RNs



(b) Part-Time RNs



(c) Full-Time LPNs



(d) Part-Time LPNs

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