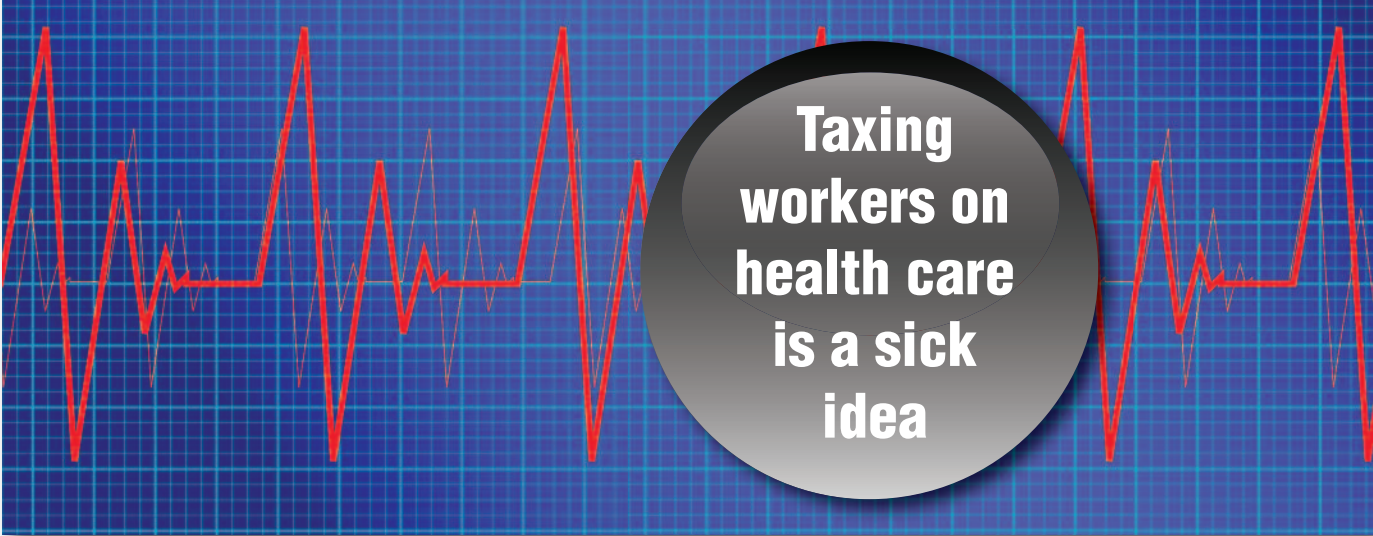


John McCain Wants to Tax Our Negotiated Health Care Benefits



**Taxing
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health care
is a sick
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John McCain wants to tax us on our employer-paid health care benefits. In fact, the McCain tax on workers' health care likely would cause employers to drop coverage for more than 20 million Americans. (*Health Affairs Journal*, Sept. 2008)

We can't afford McCain's health care plan.

CWA members have fought hard to protect our employer-paid health care at companies like Verizon. Now McCain wants to tax us on health care benefits and has proposed a meager tax credit of \$5,000 a year for a family and \$2,500 for a single person.

The value of our coverage is far above that. That means our taxes will go up.

Here's what we will pay under McCain's health care tax:

| | State | Family income | Increased taxes owed* | |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| | | | By 2012 | By 2016 |
| Verizon family | Pennsylvania | \$90,000 | \$9,793 | \$25,493 |

* Because the cost of the health care plan is treated like income, the amount of tax we pay goes up. It's a **pay cut** we can't afford.

Don't let John McCain and his health care tax plan undermine our health care and raise our taxes.

**On Nov. 4, vote for the candidate who supports working families:
Senator Barack Obama**

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