

**HEALTH CARE PLANS of 2008 PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES**

	<b>Mitt Romney</b>	<b>John McCain</b>	<b>Mike Huckabee</b>	<b>Ron Paul</b>	<b>Rudolph Giuliani</b>	<b>Hillary Clinton</b>	<b>John Edwards</b>	<b>Barack Obama</b>
<b>HEALTH CARE PLAN</b>	For free-market, consumer-based system. Give states flexibility to create programs and deregulate their insurance markets. Make all health care expenses deductible. Give tax credits for insurance not provided by an employer. Eliminate "special treatment afforded employer-provided	For free-market, consumer-based system. Sees controlling health costs as a top priority. Make plans portable and accessible across state lines. Provide \$2,500 tax credits for families). Revise tax code to "eliminate the bias toward employer-sponsored health insurance	For free-market. Consumer-based system. Use states as "laboratories for new market-based approaches." Tax credits for low-income households. Make health insurance costs tax deductible for individuals and families. Streamline health care system and invest in prevention	Make all medical expenses tax deductible. Eliminate federal regulations that discourage small businesses from providing coverage. Reduce reliance on third-party payers like insurance companies and HMO's. Create a \$500 per-child tax credit for prescription drugs and costs not	For free-market, consumer-based system. Consumers can buy insurance covering major costs and pay minor costs themselves. Tax credits for health care expenses: \$7,500 for individuals and \$15,000 for families. Provide additional tax credits to low-income households. Allow people to	Require everyone to obtain health insurance. Require large employers to provide insurance or contribute to the cost. Provide tax credits to small businesses and subsidies for low-income people. Create a pool of private plans similar to the program for federal workers and one	Require everyone to obtain health insurance. Require employers to provide insurance or contribute with subsidies for low-income people. Create regional nonprofit pools that offer private plans and at least one public plan like Medicare. Expand Medicaid and S-chip to serve adults	Require that all children have health insurance. Require employers to provide insurance or contribute to the cost. Exempt smallest businesses. Reimburse employers for catastrophic health costs. Provide subsidies for low-income people. Create purchasing pool with