

# Sketch and Notes: Virtual World Healthcare Support Groups Portal

**Site Line:** From the entryway a view that informs and draws one in. One can see what the Path is about, a welcoming slide show which encourages, and objects beyond that invite one to explore to the far end.

**Entrance Sign:** Provides a notecard one can take with them. It includes a summary and enough details by itself to be of value later. Also a note on privacy so visitors know their identity is not being tracked.

**Path Sign:** Designed from the former path of Support sign to provide continuity from the old Path.

**Crisis Sign!:** For those who need help right away, information is given on how to contact authorities by phone.

**Welcome Slide Show:** Features images from groups and words of encouragement.

**Directional Signs:** Orients one to the organization of the various groups

**Flags:** Marking categories of groups.

**Posters:** Support group's title, summary, and contact information.

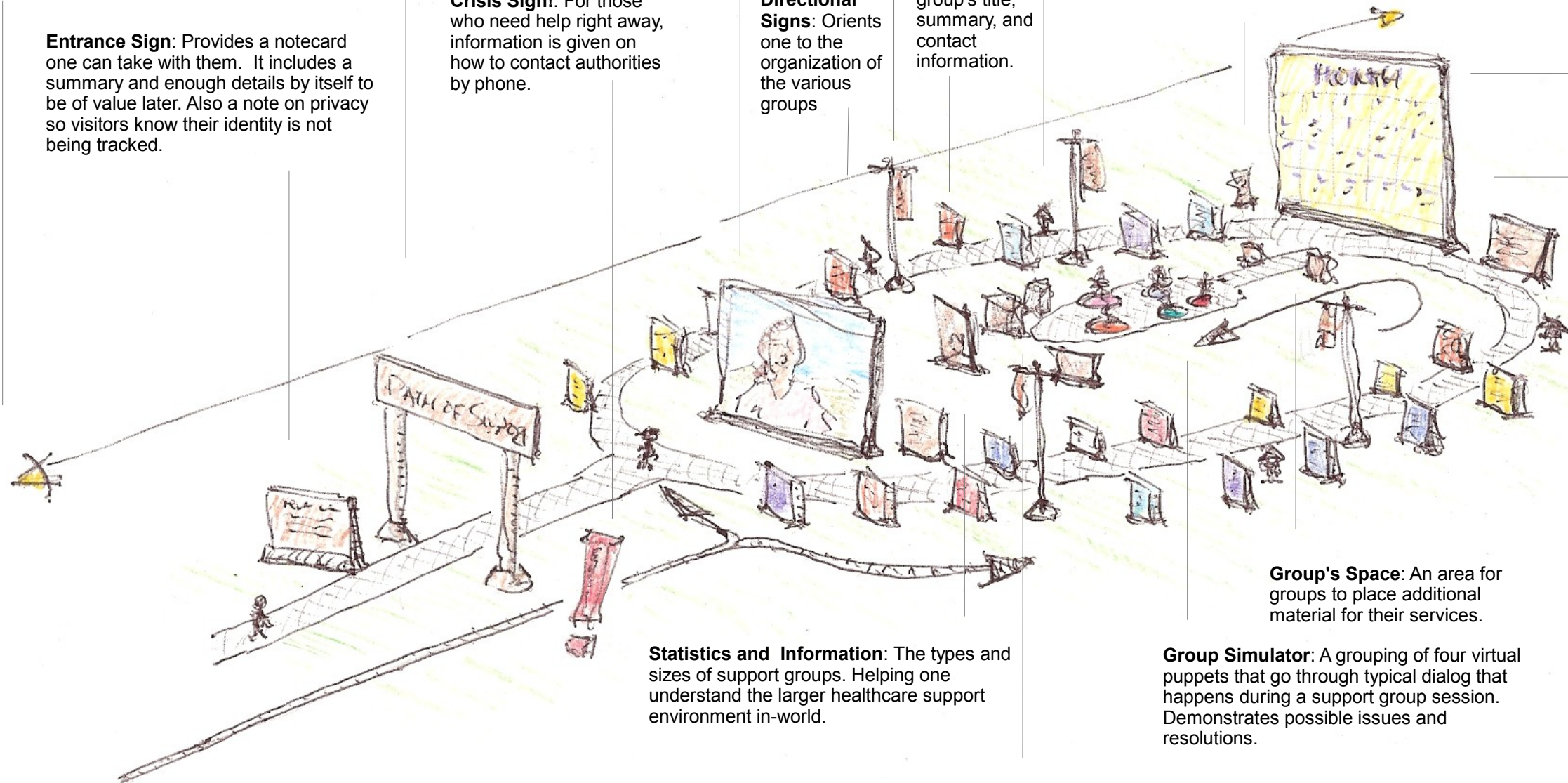
**Lantern of knowledge:** How to choose a group that is right for you.

**Freebies:** Give-aways that reward one for exploring the path to this point They also show up as free items in search to encourage people to visit the Path from elsewhere.

**Monthly Calendar:** Shows active groups and topics for the month. Visually demonstrates the vitality and variety of support groups.

**Solitary Space:** Hidden behind the sign is a contemplative sitting space with a tea set.

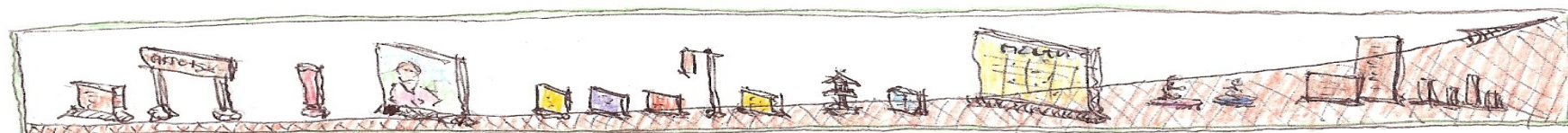
**Take-aways:** Notecard that includes basic list of groups and summary of topics on site. Similar to entrance card



Direction of Travel

**Lantern of Knowledge:** If you are not able to find a support group, this lantern will give you a notecard with resources on how to start a group yourself.

## Story Arc



Summery   Title   Emergency   Introduction and Encouragement   Groups to choose from   Additional help   What is happening   What is it like   If you can't find what is right for you?

- Creator
- Participant
- Novice
- Visitor

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