# WebRTC-NV

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## **W3C Standardization Process**

- The W3C Standards Process is described <u>here</u>.
- The first standardization stage is CR Candidate Recommendation.
  - <u>Candidate Recommendation means</u> that the specification has been widely reviewed, has met
    WG requirements and is implementable.
  - At CR, the specification may not have been completely implemented (there may be "features at risk") and there may be interoperability issues between browsers.
  - Specifications may recycle at CR.
- At <u>PR [Proposed Recommendation]</u> it is required to demonstrate adequate implementation experience, in addition to other requirements such as addressing issues and achieving wide review.
  - "Adequate implementation experience" is judged based on what features have been implemented (tracked by <u>Confluence</u>), as well as the Web Platform Test (WPT) results.
  - <u>Web-platform-tests</u> are a set of tests for checking API implementation by the W3C. The results are located at <u>https://wpt.fyi</u>.
- Recommendation is the final stage, requiring approval by the W3C membership.

#### **Simplified View of the W3C Standards Process**



Source: <a href="https://www.w3.org/wiki/SVG\_Accessibility/Directed\_Graphs">https://www.w3.org/wiki/SVG\_Accessibility/Directed\_Graphs</a>

## What Does the W3C WebRTC WG Work On?

- 1. WebRTC Peer Connection (<u>WebRTC-PC</u>) now published as a Recommendation.
  - a. Related specifications such as <u>WebRTC-Stats</u> and <u>WebRTC-Priority</u>.
- 2. Capture, Streams and Output-related specifications, including:
  - a. <u>Media Capture and Streams</u> (recycled at CR)
  - b. <u>Screen Capture</u>
  - c. Media Capture from DOM Elements
  - d. <u>MediaStream Image Capture</u>
  - e. MediaStream Recording
  - f. <u>Audio Output Devices</u>
  - g. <u>Content-Hints</u>
- 3. WebRTC-NV, the "Next Version" of WebRTC.
  - a. This is what comes after the 1.0 specification.
  - b. It involves work on multiple specifications, not just a single document.
  - c. The use cases motivating this work are described in <u>WebRTC-NV Use Cases</u>.

### What Are the WebRTC-NV Use Cases?

- Existing Use Cases
  - Multiparty online game with voice communications
  - Mobile calling service
  - Video Conferencing with a Central Server
- New Use Cases
  - File Sharing
  - Internet of Things
  - Funny Hats
  - Machine Learning
  - Virtual Reality Gaming
  - Don't Pown My Video Conferencing
  - Untrusted JavaScript Cloud Conferencing

## What Work Might Be Considered Part of "WebRTC-NV"?

- Extensions to WebRTC PeerConnection, such as:
  - WebRTC Extensions
  - <u>WebRTC-SVC</u>
  - Insertable Streams
  - Features which did not meet the implementation or maturity requirements for inclusion in <u>WebRTC-PC</u> Recommendation , such as <u>WebRTC Identity</u> and <u>WebRTC</u> <u>DSCP</u>
- Extensions relating to Capture, such as:
  - MediaStreamTrack Insertable Streams,
  - Media Capture and Streams Extensions
  - <u>MediaCapture Depth Stream Extensions</u> (recently revived)
- Standalone specifications, not related to PeerConnection or Capture, such as:
  - <u>WebRTC-ICE</u>
  - <u>WebTransport</u> (in the W3C WebTransport WG)
  - WebRTC-QUIC (in the ORTC CG)
  - <u>WebCodecs</u> (in the W3C Media WG)