645.090 Criteria for hospitalization.

The burden of proof at the certification and recertification hearings under this chapter shall be on the petitioner to show, by clear and convincing evidence, that:

- (1) The child is mentally ill or has symptoms of mental illness;
- (2) The child is dangerous to himself or others;
- (3) The child can benefit from treatment available only at a hospital; and
- (4) No less restrictive alternative is available which will be effective in treating the child.

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