202C.050 Criteria for involuntary commitment.

- (1) No respondent shall be involuntarily committed under this chapter unless there is a determination that:
 - (a) The respondent presents a danger to self or others as a result of his or her mental condition;
 - (b) The respondent needs care, training, or treatment in order to mitigate or prevent substantial physical harm to self or others;
 - (c) The respondent has a demonstrated history or recent manifestation of criminal behavior that has endangered or caused injury to others or has a substantial history of involuntary hospitalizations under KRS Chapter 202A or 202B prior to the commission of the charged crime; or
 - (d) A less restrictive alternative mode of treatment would endanger the safety of the respondent or others.
- (2) When a respondent is involuntarily committed under this chapter, the cabinet shall place that respondent in a forensic psychiatric facility designated by the secretary.

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