

AI Matching Engine Database Fix

Issue Summary

The AI Matching Engine feature was failing with a 500 error because the required database tables (`MatchRequest` , `MatchResult` , `MatchFeedback`) were never created. While the Prisma schema defined these models, no migration was generated to create the actual database tables.

Root Cause Analysis

1. Database Tables Missing

- **Error:** The table 'public.MatchRequest' does not exist in the current database
- **Cause:** No migration was created for the AI matching engine tables
- **Impact:** The entire matching feature was non-functional

2. Field Name Consistency

VERIFIED: Code is already consistent across frontend and backend






- Frontend (`/src/app/dashboard/find-care/page.tsx`): Uses `moveInTimeline`
- Backend API (`/src/app/api/family/match/route.ts`): Expects `moveInTimeline`
- Prisma Schema: Defines `moveInTimeline`
- **No field name mismatch exists in the current code**

Solution Implemented

1. Created Migration for AI Matching Tables

Location: `prisma/migrations/20251216000000_add_ai_matching_engine_tables/migration.sql`

What it creates:

-  `MatchStatus` enum (PENDING, COMPLETED, FAILED)
-  `FeedbackType` enum (THUMBS_UP, THUMBS_DOWN, PLACEMENT_CONFIRMED)
-  `MatchRequest` table with all required fields:
 - Budget preferences (budgetMin, budgetMax)
 - Medical conditions array
 - Care level
 - Preferences (gender, religion, dietary needs, hobbies, pets)
 - Location (zipCode, maxDistance)
 - Timeline (moveInTimeline)
-  `MatchResult` table:
 - Stores individual match results
 - Fit score (0-100)
 - Match factors breakdown (JSON)
 - AI-generated explanation
 - Ranking
-  `MatchFeedback` table:
 - User feedback on matches
 - Feedback type

- Notes
- ☒ All foreign key constraints with CASCADE delete
- ☒ All required indexes for performance

Safety Features:

- Idempotent design using `IF NOT EXISTS` patterns
- Can be run multiple times without errors
- Handles edge cases gracefully

2. Verified Deployment Configuration

Checked: `package.json` scripts

```
"start": "npm run migrate:deploy && next start"
"migrate:deploy": "prisma migrate deploy"
```

- ☒ Migrations will run automatically on Render deployment

3. Verified Schema Relationships

Checked: All Prisma model relationships

- ☒ `Family.matchRequests` → `MatchRequest[]`
- ☒ `AssistedLivingHome.matchResults` → `MatchResult[]`
- ☒ `AssistedLivingHome.matchFeedback` → `MatchFeedback[]`
- ☒ `User.matchFeedback` → `MatchFeedback[]`

Files Modified

New Files Created

1. Migration SQL:

- `prisma/migrations/20251216000000_add_ai_matching_engine_tables/migration.sql`
- Comprehensive idempotent migration
- 200+ lines with proper error handling

2. Documentation:

- `AI_MATCHING_ENGINE_FIX.md` (this file)

Deployment Steps

Pre-Deployment Checklist

- [x] Migration SQL created and reviewed
- [x] Prisma schema verified
- [x] Field names consistent across codebase
- [x] Foreign key relationships verified
- [x] Indexes added for performance
- [x] Idempotent design implemented
- [x] `package.json` scripts verified

Deployment Process

1. Commit Changes:

```
``bash
```

```
git add prisma/migrations/20251216000000_add_ai_matching_engine_tables/
git add AI_MATCHING_ENGINE_FIX.md
git commit -m "fix: add database migration for AI matching engine tables"
```

- Create MatchRequest, MatchResult, MatchFeedback tables
- Add MatchStatus and FeedbackType enums
- Add all required foreign keys and indexes
- Idempotent design for safe deployment

Fixes database error: 'MatchRequest table does not exist'

Resolves #[issue-number] if applicable"

```

### 1. Push to GitHub:

```
bash
git push origin main
```

### 2. Render Auto-Deploy:

- Render will automatically detect the push
- Build process will run `npm run build` (includes `prisma generate`)
- Start process will run `npm run migrate:deploy` (applies migrations)
- Application will start with new tables available

## Post-Deployment Verification

### 1. Monitor Render Logs

Check for migration success:

```
Running Prisma migrations...
Applying migration '20251216000000_add_ai_matching_engine_tables'
Migration applied successfully
```

### 2. Test AI Matching Feature

1. Navigate to: `https://carelinkai.onrender.com/dashboard/find-care`
2. Fill out the 4-step form:
  - Step 1: Budget & Care Level
  - Step 2: Medical Conditions
  - Step 3: Preferences
  - Step 4: Location & Timeline
3. Submit form
4. **Expected:** No 500 error, redirect to results page
5. **Expected:** See matching homes with AI-generated explanations

### 3. Verify Database Tables

If you have access to database console:

```
-- Verify tables exist
SELECT table_name
FROM information_schema.tables
WHERE table_schema = 'public'
AND table_name IN ('MatchRequest', 'MatchResult', 'MatchFeedback');

-- Verify enums exist
SELECT typname
FROM pg_type
WHERE typname IN ('MatchStatus', 'FeedbackType');

-- Check indexes
SELECT indexname
FROM pg_indexes
WHERE tablename IN ('MatchRequest', 'MatchResult', 'MatchFeedback');
```

## Rollback Plan

If deployment fails:

### Option 1: Revert Migration (If Applied)

```
Connect to Render PostgreSQL
Run SQL to drop tables
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS "MatchFeedback" CASCADE;
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS "MatchResult" CASCADE;
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS "MatchRequest" CASCADE;
DROP TYPE IF EXISTS "FeedbackType";
DROP TYPE IF EXISTS "MatchStatus";

Mark migration as rolled back in _prisma_migrations table
DELETE FROM _prisma_migrations
WHERE migration_name = '20251216000000_add_ai_matching_engine_tables';
```

### Option 2: Revert Code

```
git revert HEAD
git push origin main
```

## Technical Details

### Migration Timestamp

- **Format:** 20251216000000 = 2025-12-16 00:00:00
- **Naming:** add\_ai\_matching\_engine\_tables

## Database Schema Changes

```
-- Tables Created: 3
MatchRequest -- Stores user preferences and match requests
MatchResult -- Stores individual home matches with scores
MatchFeedback -- Stores user feedback on matches

-- Enums Created: 2
MatchStatus -- PENDING, COMPLETED, FAILED
FeedbackType -- THUMBS_UP, THUMBS_DOWN, PLACEMENT_CONFIRMED

-- Indexes Created: 13
-- Foreign Keys Created: 6
```

## Field Types

- **String fields:** TEXT for IDs (CUID format)
- **Decimals:** Precise decimal types (10,2 for money, 5,2 for scores)
- **Arrays:** PostgreSQL TEXT[] for string arrays
- **JSON:** JSONB for match factors (faster querying)
- **Timestamps:** TIMESTAMP(3) for millisecond precision

## Confidence Assessment

### High Confidence Areas

1. **Migration Creation:** Comprehensive SQL with error handling
2. **Schema Consistency:** All models and relationships verified
3. **Field Names:** Confirmed `moveInTimeline` used consistently
4. **Deployment Process:** Automatic migration execution configured
5. **Safety:** Idempotent design prevents duplicate table errors







### Medium Confidence Areas

1. **Testing:** Cannot test locally due to no database connection
2. **Production Data:** Unknown if any existing partial data needs cleanup

## Recommendations

1. **Monitor First Deployment:** Watch Render logs closely during migration
2. **Test Immediately:** Run full AI matching flow after deployment
3. **Check Foreign Keys:** Verify Family and AssistedLivingHome tables have data
4. **Performance:** Monitor query performance with new indexes

## Success Criteria

-  Migration applies without errors
-  Tables created successfully
-  AI matching form submits successfully
-  Match results displayed to users
-  No 500 errors in production
-  OpenAI explanations generated correctly

## Next Steps

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1. Commit changes to git
  2. Push to GitHub
  3. Monitor Render deployment
  4. Test AI matching feature
  5. Verify database tables exist
  6. Document any additional issues found
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