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### Doyle relinquishes command of 30<sup>th</sup> Medical Command

**HEIDELBERG, Germany** – Col. Dennis D. Doyle relinquished command of the 30<sup>th</sup> Medical Command (Deployment Support) during a ceremony May 10, at the Nachrichten Kaserne Parade Field.

Soldiers, Civilians, Family Members and leaders from the medical and U.S. Army Europe community attended the ceremony to bid farewell to Doyle and his wife Lisa as they head to Fort Bliss, Tx. where he will be promoted to brigadier general and take command of the William Beaumont Army Medical Center.

Col. Daniel P. Orrico, the chief of staff for the 30<sup>th</sup> MEDCOM, will serve as the interim commander.

During the ceremony Brig. Gen. Nadja Y. West, commander of the Europe Regional Medical Command and the USAREUR command surgeon, commended Doyle for his leadership and the unit's numerous accomplishments during his time in command.

“In the fast moving environment in which our forces operate, there is a need for agility and responsiveness. Dennis and his team continued to look for ways to shape our deployable medical capability to ensure that we remain relevant and ready to support those who need our lifesaving services in rapid fashion,” West said.

“Clearly our Army agrees that Dennis and Lisa are a team that we need at the next level of leadership,” said West. “I look forward to working with Dennis in the future, as he and Lisa write new chapter for their lives and for Army Medicine as they move forward.”

Doyle has served as the commander of the 30<sup>th</sup> MEDCOM since April 2009. He then led the headquarters on its deployment to Afghanistan from April 2009 to 2010, where the 30<sup>th</sup> MEDCOM served as the first theater medical command in the country.

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“Two years seems much too short when you’re surrounded by the exceptional Soldiers, Families and Civilians in our formations. It was my distinct privilege and highest honor to serve alongside all the Soldiers who proudly wear the 30<sup>th</sup> MEDCOM patch,” Doyle said.

Orrico has served as the chief of staff for the organization since arriving in August 2010, and was the clear choice to serve as the interim commander according to Doyle.

“Dan has laid the foundation for our success as a theater-enabling medical command and vastly expanded our staff relationship with U.S. Army Europe, U.S. Army Africa and European Command,” said Doyle. “Col. Orrico and Command Sgt. Maj. King are the super glue that will hold this organization together for a seamless transition this summer.”

Col.(Dr.) John M. Cho, command, Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, has been selected as the next 30<sup>th</sup> MEDCOM commander, and is scheduled to assume command of the unit June 9.

The 30<sup>th</sup> MEDCOM, headquartered in Heidelberg, Germany, is the theater-enabling medical command asset for the European Command theater of operations. Its Soldiers provide full-spectrum medical support for combat, humanitarian assistance and training missions for U.S. European Command, U.S. Army Europe, U.S. Africa Command, U.S. Central Command and Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom and Kosovo Force.

For more information visit the 30<sup>th</sup> MEDCOM website at [www.30thmed.army.mil](http://www.30thmed.army.mil).

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**CUTLINE INFO:**

**RoC\_10MAY2011\_045:** Col. Dennis D. Doyle passes the 30<sup>th</sup> Medical Command colors to Brig. Gen. Nadja Y. West, Europe Regional Medical Command commander, during his Relinquishment of Command Ceremony on the Nachrichten Kaserne Parade Field May 10.

**RoC\_10MAY2011\_048:** The Europe Regional Medical Command Commander, Brig. Gen. Nadja Y. West, passes the 30<sup>th</sup> Medical Command colors to Col. Daniel P. Orrico during the unit’s Relinquishment of Command Ceremony on the Nachrichten Kaserne Parade Field May 10.

**RoC\_10MAY2011\_067:** Col. Dennis D. Doyle and Col. Daniel P. Orrico shake hands during the 30<sup>th</sup> Medical Command’s Relinquishment of Command ceremony on the Nachrichten Kaserne Parade Field May 10.