



Lt. Gen. Patricia D. Horoho, from left, stands with Spc. Colin O'Donnell, Spc. Jesus Romero and Sgt. Maj. Gerald C. Ecker during an awards ceremony Friday at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, Texas. The ceremony recognized O'Donnell and Romero as winners of the 2015 Jack L. Clark Jr. Army Best Medic Competition. (U.S. Army Medical Department photo)

Duo From 173rd Airborne BCT Wins Army Best Medic Competition

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A pair of Army specialists is back in Europe with a grand accomplishment — winners of the Army Best Medic Competition.

Spc. Colin O'Donnell and Spc. Jesus Romero, of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team based in Vicenza, Italy, were named winners of the 2015 Jack L. Clark Jr. U.S. Army Best Medic Competition on Friday during a ceremony at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

The competition took place throughout three days of events at Fort Sam Houston and Camp Bullis, Texas, last week. It featured 64 medics from all three Army components competing in two-man teams. All competitors were required to have earned the Expert Field Medical Badge or the Combat Medic Badge before taking part in events.

O'Donnell and Romero came out on top after events such as the combat warrior swim test, rifle qualification range, combat stress shoot test, Level II treatment/forward operating qualification and rifle zero qualification. For their winning efforts, both were awarded with the Meritorious Service Medal.

The competition's second-place winners were Sgt. 1st Class Stephen Eisele and Spc. Garrett Woodford of the Regional Health Command-Central at Fort Sam Houston. They were awarded the Army Commendation Medal.

Third-place winners were Sgt. Tyler Campbell and Spc. Daniel Medrano who represented U.S. Army Alaska. Each received the Army Achievement Medal. ■



Sgt. 1st Class Stephen Eisele and Spc. Garrett Woodford won second place at the 2015 Army Best Medic Competition. (U.S. Army Medical Department photo)



Sgt. Tyler Campbell and Spc. Daniel Medrano won third place at the 2015 Army Best Medic Competition. (U.S. Army Medical Department photo)



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